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RICHARD T. GREENER REPLIES TO STEWART'S SCURRILOUS

Attack in the New York Age—In Self Defense—The "Power" of the Race Left to Explain—A Literary Gem.

[Mr. Greener, having been denied publication of the following reply, in The New York Age, in which Mr. McCant Stewart's scurrilous attack appeared, he is obliged in self defense, to print this open letter to an individual who has imposed himself too long upon a suffering public, and who claims by right, censorship and autocratic power over the colored race.]

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Mr. Stewart thrust himself into a discussion which in no sense concerned him, unless his recent conversion is a sham, as I imagine, or because he seeks a certain amount of notoriety at my expense. I made a mistake in not dismissing him at once, as an impudent intruder, and as presumptious in assuming to represent the brains and brawn of the black Democracy. I might have remembered that when he speaks of "Afro-Americans, of highest character, of great ability and of large experience," he uses "We"; that he actually lectured President Cleveland in an open letter and inflicted four columns on the Sun; that nothing is sacred in his eyes; and with him, any end justified the means. I had supposed that the issue he set up was Republicanism vs. Democracy, not as to particular men; but principles; not individual sussess or failure; or men's families or children or personal privileges. Had I known that he took advantage of my absence in thd West to utter falsehoods about me, which he would not dare to say to my face, I should have scorned to have any furthey intercourse with him, except where his eratic mind could be kept in check, and his persistent misrepresentations stopped at once.

His last utterance is the subterfuge of a weak mind and a cowardly spirit, attempting to hide guilt, and rehabilitate his wretched past by flinging mud at me. Such minds fearing exposure, seek to obscure the issue, a case of "confession and avoidance". Mr. Stewart's illogical attitude toward me is epitomized in his last letter. According to him, it is no matter what I did for the race before 1888; no matter what I have done since, or am now doing, I am to be run out, excoriated, lampooned, abused, my character and reputation assailed—for what? Because I did not take part in the campaign of 1888, when I was on the Civil Service Board; And yet, I voted for Harrison and Morton in 1888: Never voted a Democratic ticket in my life; Never have failed to be connected with my Ward Republican club since 1886, and was active in the campaign of 1892. Pray, what was my critic doing all these years? Can he hold up his head and answer? As to his direct statements. He never invited me to the Brooklyn Union, till he did so last December, a year ago, as he confesses, to humiliate me; He is welcome to the exposure of his favorite tricks.

He is again, a falsifier, when he says I ever was a political ward of Mr. Grace. The Ex-Mayor was and is too much of a gentleman and a patriot, ever to require any friend of his to repudiate political convictions, to serve him. On the contrary, no man in public life has more intimate and tried personal friends among all shades of political parties. Mr. Grace never even intimated to me, a point of political allegiance for the favor shown me. I well know his opinion of black Democrats.

Mr. Stewart overlooked my sin of desertion in 1888. Could colossal effrontery go further? Has he charitably overlooked his twelve years desertion, and arduous work for democracy? Unlike my critic, I have never sought to carry the Race on my shoulders, nor to lead them; Nor have I ever stated publicly or privately that they would pull me down; Nor have I ever been pessimist enough to believe or assert at any time or place, that they could not be pulled up, indeed, were not coming up faster than some of their persistent, self-constituted leaders could discern. I still believe and preach the doctrine that each man who raises himself, elevates the Race.

I repeat, my suggestion, long before 1884, preserved the colored teachers, and avoided the abolition of the colored schools in this city by my argument before the School Board, when Mr. Frederick R. Coudert was President. I still assert, despite the irrelevant affidavit of Professor Dorses and "his corps of teachers", that mine was the original suggestion as to the strking out the obnoxious word from the school building, and that Mr. White personally consulted with me as to the best method of bringing that about, at a period when Mr. Stewart was in obscurity. My critic needs glasses, He cannot read correctly. I never said that the stewart episode caused my "discharge" from the Grant Fund, for the plain reason I never was "discharged" or "dismissed" as he persists in asserting. That I did not do as much as he would have done had he had my place, of course, goes without saying. But then, I have not his transcendant genius, his rare ability for planning and executing. And Mr. Stewart, of course, knows just what I did, and what I executed, and what was the nature of the opposition, and all the details. Suffice it to say that after six years and a half, and after successive re-elections, I have the following Resolutions passed and engrossed and signed by the present officers of the Fund of which I am still a Trustee:

"At the Annual meeting of the Grant Monument Association held at 146 Broadway, February 18, 1892, the following Preamble and Resolutions introduced by Col. Edward. M. Knox were unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS, The Trustees of the Grant Monument Association have learned with sincere regret that Professor Richard T. Greener declines to allow his name to be put in nomination for Secretary, after more than six years of faithful and arduous service as Secretary of the Association, and of the Executive and Building Committees. Therefore:

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Grant Monument Association desire to place on permanent record their appreciation of the high character, the valuable service, and the special qualifications which Professor Greener has contributed to the work of building a National Memorial to the memory of General Ulysses S. Grant.

Resolved, That an engrossed copy of these resolutions be duly entered upon the minutes, signed by the officers of the Association, and be transmitted to Professor Richard T. Greener.

HORACE PORTER, President.
ELIHU ROOT, V. President.
G. M. DODGE, V. President.
(SEAL.) F. D. TAPPEN, Treasurer.
JAMES C. REED, Secretary."

Mr. Knox, whom Mr. Stewart evidently misquotes, it will be seen, introduced these resolutions himself. Can the Stewart method of argument and illustration be better exemplified? It would be a difficult task I opine, to extort from Mr. Stewart what he means by "contribution to history we are making", his command of the Queen's English not being quite on equality with his pretentious use of it. As to being a producer of history, I take off my hat to such "producers" and such "history", and prefer my seclusion among the quite monks of the cloister, who preserve the sacred fire while noisy babblers and the weak scribes rattle on. I trust that the style and the temper, and the logic of my reply will show that my mind has not been idle nor my pen arust in my seclusion. If I have been under the water, I have now come to the top, as Mr. Stewart, from this time forward, will be aware. "If I have been long expected, I am at last arrived".

Mr. Stewart persists in saying I attacked him, when I explicitly have stated, I only had him in mind along with other black democrats, most of them far his superior in my humble judgement, What a keen mind he has, since he could not fathom my irony, when I wondered that he had stayed outside the Republican Party so long! There is enouge there to have furnished him thought for a week.

He again distorts a fact, when he speaks of my coming to solicit his aid in getting up a public meeting, to hold up the hands of the brave South Carolinians, contending against disfranchisement. My object was to aid them' by meetings, by subscriptions, by inviting Miller, Smalls and Whipper here to speak, and so enlighten public opinion. He declined on account of the lack of money "among our people", and I tartly replied, I thought heart and sympathy more essential than money in such cases! I think so still.

He has now stolen some idea for an Equal Rights League for which he is attorney! I defy Mr. Stewart to name a single colored leader I ever quarreled with, or had even half the controversy I have had here with him, either at Washington or elsewhere. I differed from Mr. Douglass on the Exodus question, and we debated it at Saratoga pro and con like gentlemen; But I never flung mud at Mr. Douglass, nor disparaged his ability, nor called him a failure, because he could not accomplish, in some of the offices he held, all that his best friends could have wished, and what he was able to do, desired to do; but was prevented. I never, at any time, had any controversy with any public man, who rose to the dignity of prominence or leadership. I have had one or two little dogs, petty curs, bark at my heels; but they never dared to face me. They were not even up to your intellectual level, and hence, did not have to waste so much ink with them, as with you. But never did I, as I assert again, have any controversy with any man of prominence in the councils of the race, except the case mentioned. What Mr. Stewart has overlooked is that some of them may have imagined I was in their way, a very grevious error, for I have been loafing on the back stretch, I am just beginning to make my run. Mr. Stewart has evidently heard my shout, to open up and let me through. I give him fair warning not to block the way, but get in the middle and give me the rail.

If I desired to pursue the Stewart method of conducting an argument, I should not even then be reduced to the alternative of seeking his personal enemies for his certificate of character, nor bringing up his family affairs, or the various rumors, nothing more which have been freely circulated about him; such methods are despicable, worthy only of a cowardly nature. The ink fish, when pursued, opens its dirt bag and darkens the water. The lawyer with "no case abuses the plaintiff's attorney." The thief when detected, runs hastily and yells "stop thief!"

Joey Bagstock is devilish sly. It is one of his old, very old tricks—good enough to practice on poor weak women and youngsters, but of no avail with a veteran like me, who knows Joey's trick's from A to Z, and can trump them every time. Hitherto I had supposed the quasi training of a scholar had been supplemented by judgement, and instincts at least of a gentleman. I took a rapier to fence with him, when I should have employed a club. Although he has long since laid aside the cloth, I had supposed some of the odor of sanctity still hung round him, and some sense of decency and some notion of the laws of thought would characterize his utterances. But his communications show him a persistent falsifier, even when disproved, one who naturally and easily descends to low levels, whose judgment is subordinate to his prejudices and easily excited animosities. He boasts of being a producer and a maker of history. Let me assert what he is: a mountebank, dancing and posing before the public, exploiting himself under the pretense of the race, in the pulpit, at the union, in the school board, at Democratic gatherings, everywhere looking for a personal "ad.," ever with a strict eye to business. Where has he at any time, sacrificed himself, or his time, or his family, or his political chances on a race issue; where has he ever made a real sacrifice? As a minister he gained some notoriety by trying to save the ingrate murderer, Chastine Cox, who killed his mistress and benefactor. We care not what motives led to his abandonment of the ministry, but we do know he made a grand theatrical farewell tour, at which deluded people contributed money to tender him ovations, en route to Africa. Then his despairing cry was, "No hope in America!" We must all go to Africa! Had his advice been followed, where would have been the successes in the past thirteen years. He did go, on other people's money, pocketed the Colonization Society's swag, abused the donors, inspired on landing to state and college honors, abused the brave Liberians, whose lone star still waves despite his calumnies; villified the scholarly Blyden, whose shoes he is unworthy to tie, bit his hand, ran off on a tour of the continent and then ran back. Was he right or wrong then? Could the judgment of such a man be relied on upon in any event? We need a compass, not a wind gauge—firm ground on which to stand not a wind bag.

You then became a convert to Democracy—nay, its eulogizer "on principle," and traitor-like, after exhausting all its benefits and "ads." banquets and generous treatment, you turn around and repudiate them on the most spaci-

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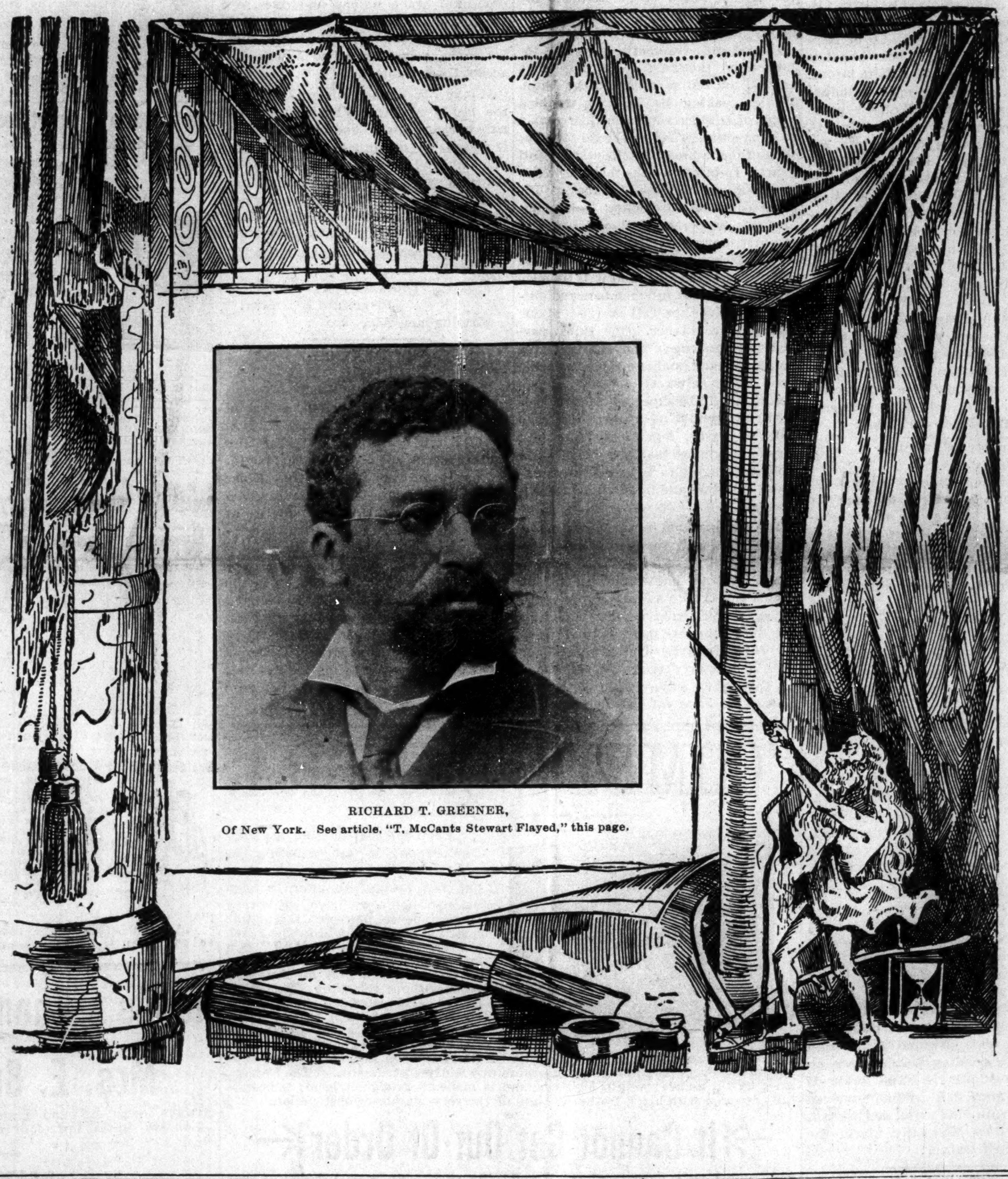

RICHARD T. GREENER,
Of New York. See article, "T. McCants Stewart Flayed," this page.

"WE ARE KITH AND KIN!"

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO ENGLAND HAD 192 SLAVE SHIPS.

Thirty-eight Thousand Negroes Taken from Africa to the West Indies and America—Why do the West Indians Assist in Making Slaves of their People?

LONDON, ENGLAND, Dec. 30, 1895.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Dear Sir:—Here in these British Isles, the old year is passing away in water, fog and mud. The snow which has fallen in the North is fast melting, and even there, as here in London, not only those who wear peticoats, but also those bipeds who are dressed in up-to-date trousers are wishing the snow, rain and fog in "Halifax." Most of the schools closed their autumn term on the 20th of this month, and the boys and girls went joyfully home, where they expected a most bounteous visit from "Old Saint Nick." Some weeks before the term closed, one could see them standing before toy shop windows and hear them say: "I wish father or mother would buy me that for Christmas!" That seemed to be the only thing which weighed heavy on their minds. Books and examinations seemed to be the furthest thing from their thoughts.

The great conservative majority over the Liberals in the last election seemed to have put all the inhabitants of this country, both old and young (you would be surprised to see what an interest the children of these islands take in politics) in such a confidential sans souci state that they appeared to think nothing could disturb their sweet repose. But things were too quiet for these tormentors of the universe, so they tried to get up a quarrel about (not with) Turkey, hoping if they succeeded, that Empire would be divided among European powers. This country receiving a christian pirate's share, i. e., the largest and best portion. England played the "queen," the highest trump card she held, as far as Turkey is concerned. France played the "jack," keeping in hand the "king." Russia played the "duce," and then England, on seeing her play such a low card, knowing that she held the "ace," and that Germany had the "nine" and "ten" in her insatiable desire for "rob, rape and plunder," sent an army to Ashanteeland (Africa) while the "Envoys," (Ambassadors in the true sense of the word) sat "in sack cloth and ashes" at the Foreign Minister's door and looked with sad hearts towards the Queen's palace. These "Envoys" came to arbitrate. But they were Negroes, and the English knowing that if they could not bully the Turk, they could bully the Negro, and that none of the powers would say, "England, you have done that people harm enough—give them a chance now."

While the great guns were being rolled ashore in your lamented land, and the two poor English princes who have gone with the expedition to be enriched by the spoils of the Ashantees, sat on the deck of the anchored ship and looked at England's power of destruction. The Omnipotent God seems to have visited, in His anger, the White House at Washington. and such a message as never was before penned flashed with the rapidity of lightning to all lands and islands of the sea. At first the people here wore long faces and spoke in a low voice, and seemed to wish they had the picked soldiers back from Africa. Some said the President had gone mad, others said he was a fool, and many said he ought to be shot, but after a few hours suspense the old woman cried: "We are kith and kin! It can't be possible that we go to war with each other! It is a farce!" was preached all over this country. So the President's message has been treated as a farce all over Great Britain. But I do not think the President is a farcer, therefore I am glad that there is one man in authority, who is not afraid of England. Long live Cleveland! It would make little or no difference to the condition of black men whether the states or England should win in war. Nevertheless, our very soul revolts within us when we see triumphing everywhere in this country (England) which is to the greater extent the cause of our National destruction and our social degradation.

One hundred years ago England had 192 slave ships on the ocean, and these took yearly by brutal force, 38,000 Negroes from Africa. Half of them died before they reached the West Indies or America. But that seems to have troubled very little this hard-hearted, piratical race, and since this people paid their West India "kith and kin" twenty million pounds sterling to make domestic slaves of all the Negroes in that Island, all other christian nations or people having followed suit, England seems not to be satisfied until she has made domestic slaves of all the Negroes in Africa. I fail to understand why the West Indian Negro should help the English to make domestic slaves of their people in Africa.

A few weeks ago I went to church, and while the preacher was speaking of England's greatness and goodness, the emancipation of the slaves in the West Indies, etc., a question came to me as follows: "What is the difference between Heaven, England and Hell?" Answer: "Heaven rewards the just, England rewards the unjust, and hell punishes the evil doer." Why did not England give the twenty million pounds sterling to the emancipated slaves in the West Indies? I believe his Satanic Majesty would have done so.

Yours forever in justice,
THOMAS RUTLING.

POLITICS AND THE PULPIT.

REV. J. M. TOWNSEND ENDORSED IN THE STAND HE TOOK

In the Recent Detroit Convention—A Minister Should be Politically as well as Theologically Qualified in Order to be a Successful Leader.

BY F. H. WARREN, MACKINAC ISLAND, MICH.

In the convention of colored men held in Detroit, Mich., December 10th last, the question of the pulpit in politics seemed to have been the cause of considerable contention, and it is to be regretted that the Rev. Jas. M. Townsend did not stand his ground more manfully and fight down the opposition that was raised against the clergy. Not having been able to attend the convention, I am not fully able to judge accurately of this phase of the question, but it seems clear that the Rev. Townsend ran away under fire, as it were.

There may have been other reasons for turning down Mr. Townsend, but the fact that he is a Doctor of Divine Law, should commend him to his fellows, and it is my contention that it is not only their right to have a voice in politics, but it is their duty to keep themselves (the clergy) well posted on all political questions; that they should study all the different schools of political science, political economy and social conditions of their people, and being thus armed with the weapon of knowledge, they should guide the voters of their flock in the proper use of the franchise to their great benefit. If people generally believe anything, they certainly believe what their pastor tells them as a rule. He has their confidence if he is worthy, and his duties are such that he can keep in close touch with questions of the day. Every great reform we have attained as a Nation, has been influenced by the pulpit for 150 years before the revolution, the ministers of the gospel were sowing the seed of freedom, and for nearly one hundred years before Lincoln's proclamation freeing the slaves, did they espouse the cause of those in bondage. Read this extract from the sermon of Rev. Samuel Cooke, May 30, 1770:

"I trust, on this occasion, I may, without offense, plead the cause of our African slaves, and humbly propose the pursuit of some effectual measure at least to prevent the further importation of them. Difficulties insuperable, I apprehend, prevent an adequate remedy for what is past. Let the time past more than suffice wherein we, the patrons of liberty, have dishonored the christian name, and degraded human nature nearly to a level with the beasts that perish. Ethiopia has long stretched forth her hand to us. Let not sordid gain, acquired by the merchandise of slaves and the souls of men, harden our hearts against her piteous moans. When God ariseth and when He visiteth the earth what shall we answer? May it be the glory of this province, of this respectable General Assembly, and, we could wish, of this session, to lead in the cause of the oppressed. This will avert the impending vengence of heaven, procure you the blessings of multitudes of your fellow men ready to perish, be highly approved by our common Father who is no respector of persons, and we trust, an example which would excite the highest attention of our sister colonies."

This sermon was supplemented by others from time to time, and in various places where ministers of the gospel had the courage of their convictions, until the abolition movement assumed huge proportions and the political institution of slavery was drove from the land. The pulpit has the ear of the best people of our country, and when any reform is being pushed, the pastors should be enlisted in the good work. I believe that the pulpit and well edited journals are the great factors in moulding public opinion; certain it is that other agencies cannot draw the attention of the multitudes. I had a letter from a single tax friend in Texas, (I was introduced to him through The Freeman) the other day telling me of one of our lecturers addressing several colored audiences of from 1,200 to 1,500 people in the tent of a colored evangelist, but if this single tax man had erected his own tent and invited the people in to hear his lecture, he would have done well to have had an audience of one hundred.

Then again, by what law of ethics do these critics of the clergy in politics base their cause. Clergymen were men before they were Doctors of Divinity. Does working in the Lord's vineyard deprive one of citizenship? I believe, however, that the confidence in the ministry can best be maintained by their being political teachers, and not political actors, that is that they should refrain from accepting political offices and emoluments; they should always remain above the suspicion of seeking office, and their teaching would carry the greater weight, and the laymen believe their sincerity of purpose.

However, their right to enter active politics is not to be denied, and the more honest and conscientious clergymen there are working for right and justice, the quicker we realize "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

Died in Jail.

Shreveport, La., Special.

A colored man died in the Parish jail on the 9th inst. We tried to learn his name. Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holmes a sixteen pound baby. Mrs. Miller, Eliza Marks and Gus Bolden and H. Smallwood are sick. To my subscribers that are behind in their papers, please settle at once, as the publishers are pushing me for their money. I am compelled to push my readers. Rev. James W. Hudson of St. James and Rev. Hampton James of St. Paul M. E. church preached their farewell sermon on the 12th at their churches. Large congregations were in attendance Good music was furnished by St. James choir under the leadership of J. H. Patterson and Miss Susie P. Legardy. We hope that J. H. Hudson will be our pastor again. Mr. and Mrs. Luke Allen gave a delightful entertainment in honor of their sister, Miss Lauella Murdock, to celebrate her sixteenth anniversary. The house was full of guests and every one enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. Please remember that The Freeman office is on Louisiana street, where Mr. Patterson has his restaurant. He keeps open day and night and extends the hand of welcome to the public. Remember that The Freeman is only $1 per year until further notice.

Died at a Ripe Old Age.

Paduach, Ky., Special.

Aunt Hannah Reed, aged 99 years died on the 11th Her funeral took place at Burks A. M. E. Church, Rev. G. Burks officiating, assisted by Rev G. W. Dupee. It is reported that G. W. Christian, the Democratic politician and editor, has left the city for good, leaving his partner, G. W. Tanner, and numerous creditors in the lurch. H. Johnson was elected assistant sergeant-at-arms in the Kentucky House of Representative last week. Alvan Logan is sick. H. T. Tandy is able to be out. An effort is now being made to induce Miss Ednorah Nahar, Boston's noted dramatic reciter, to visit this city. C. H. Brooks, formerly of this city, but now of Philadelphia, Penn., and Grand Secretary of the United Order of Odd Fellows of the United States and Canada, has notified his friends here that he is a candidate for re-election before the B. M. C., which meets at Indianapolis next fall. The select social at Odd Fellows Hall on the 7th was fairly patronized. Luke Merriweather lost $50 by the burning of S. H. Clark's commission house, where he was employed. He was on the eve of departing for Louisville on a visit to friends. Now is the time to subscribe for The Freeman, only $1.00 per year; call on M. Bradshaw, 419 Jackson-st.

Quarterly Meeting.

Peoria, Ill., Special.

Sunday was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church, and a good time was had. Rev. C. M. Newton of Jacksonville filled the stand in the absence of the presiding elder, N. J. McCracken. Mrs. Ransford and Mrs. I. T. Coursey are sick. There is to be a wedding soon. The contracting parties are Miss English and Mr. Stevens. The congregation of Mt. Zion Baptist church contemplate dedicating their new edifice the 4th Sunday. The Christian Aid met at the residence of Mrs. Mallory on Munson street. An elegant program was rendered by the following persons: Recitation, E. Scott; organ solo, E. Pierce; recital, Mr. Adams; recitation, E. Standford; solo, Mrs. Mallory; duett, Mr. and Mrs. Scott; solo, Miss Early; recitation, Wm, Scott; solo, Mrs. Couzzins; address, I. Johnson; reading, Mrs. Wm. Lewis; recital, Master Harry Barnett; closing remarks by the pastor, Rev. J. Thomas.

Local Notes—News.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Prof. Chas. Pope with his pamorama, also picturing the lynch law has been showing in the city recently. Usher Ford who was sentenced to twelve months in prison was severely dealt with by the gang because he refused to eat with the rest. Normal Kimbrough and wife are spending their honey moon at the groom father's. The bride is very ill. Junus Bell became involved in a fracas with his spouse, and in turn, was defeated by Miss Lilly Clark, the solitary school teacher.

News in Brief.

Mineola, Tex., Special.

Times are very lively at place. News came from Terrell, Tex., stating that W. H. Oldinin's wife died recently. Mrs. Lydia Blueford is better. Public school is going on nicely. Prof. Cane of Hawkins, Texas takes The Freeman. J. W. Murphy of Mineola is an agent for the Baptist Star. E. D. Powell sells brick at $1.00 per hundred. Prof. R. M. Jones was in Lintman on the 11th. Thomas Gatewood is in Allegheany City, Pa., if any one wishes to subscribe for The Freeman apply to Sandy Anderson, Mineola, Tex. Everybody talks, everybody says that The Freeman is a good paper.

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JOSEPHINE E. GHANT

Praises Bishop Petty's Address Delivered at the Atlanta Exposition.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Allow me space in the columns of your most valuable paper to say a few words in praise of Bishop Petty's address delivered at the Atlanta Exposition. "The Nation and its Duty to the Negro. I have read it carefully and thoughtfully, and must say with the many others who have commented upon it prior to myself, that it is the best and weightiest taken altogether that has come to my notice. He writes in a clear, concise and unbiased manner—blaming one praising none but producing facts succesingly, and urges in a way that denies contradiction. He stands for complete independence—freedom without restrain; he leans neither to the right nor the left, but stands firm in his convictions for justice and freedom, regardless of race color or previous condition or political influence. He is a man true to himself, and upon only such as he can the race depends for guidance. He is a broad-minded, liberal-hearted, whole-souled man, as all who are personally acquainted with him well know, and one who justly deserves being called our greatest living man, or if you will the "Moses" of the colored race. It is he to whom it is due.

He reminds the nation of its duty by a careful rehearsal of what it has neglected (wilfully and without excuse.) He has not fallen at the shrine of the American government, pleading for mercy, but stood in the fulness of his manhood and eloquently appealed for justice and the same protection for the colored citizen as accorded the white. While speaking he had no troubled vision of an office appointment or money to compensate what he should say, but spoke from a broad intellect and a full heart. In brief, he asks that the Negro be given equal chances in labor, political freedom and protection to life, liberty and property, civil equality having first shown that he is worthy of it. As the Bishop says, we have been on thirty years probation and it is time we were regarded as full members and citizens and given the full exercise of our rights in accordance. One thing particularly striking in the address is his political stand and a most reasonable one It has always appeared strange that it should be expected that the colored man should be a slave to anyone political party, regardless to his best interest any more than any one else and it is encouraging to note we can so express ourselves and be intelligently understood.

The address from beginning throughout is an appeal for justice in an earnest and straightforward and one to which it seems impossible a christian people would turn a deaf ear, for while it comes direct from one individual he has voiced the sentiment of the 10,000,000 colored in the United States and were it necessary each one would affix his name as an endorsement to the best address we have yet had delivered by our greatest living man, Rt. Rev. C. C. Petty, A. M. D. D. This subject should invite the attention of each and all, as we are the ones concerned. Victims, as we are, of outrage, denied in masse, the means of a decent livelyhood, given in return for honest votes naught but empty promises it is becoming painfully necessary that some change be wrought for our good politically on an honest basis.

We have been tried long enough, if we are ever to be fully recognized now is the time. Every man should be persuaded and led by his own convictions and not by that of others, and we coincide with the Bishop that what is good for the white man in any section is alike good for the colored man in the same section. Let this be understood as general. In cases where this is not true, we should be able to see and know what is objectionable and act according. We must act in harmony with the times. It is not good sense to vote one way, ragardless of ones best interest.

While the Negro is an indispensable factor in politics as well as in other things he is not beneflitted to any great extent no matter what way he votes. He votes and participates in politics, the majority in the hope of some day realizing a benefit in the shape of equal rights, that is the highest ambition of the race, and what we have been seeking for thirty years without scarcely a visable decency. Must we plead for thirty years more? I don't believe a just God would suffer it. We have not organized trade unions or strikes, we are not anarchists, we have fulfilled every requirement of citizenship, and we make a last appeal to America to accept those rights.

It may not be last, but we hope that the last is not far. What may terminate our appeals no one can tell, but it is reasonable to suppose that they will one day end and we hope it will be Amerlea who will acknowledge her error and atone for it by performing her duty to us as her laws provide. Then will there be peace and harmony between the races and a new civilization will be the outcome.

Yours for justice,
JOSEPHINE E. GHANT.
Birmingham, Ala.

Current Events.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Mrs. Ford died on the 4th after a long illness. A revival is being carried on at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church. Miss Sarah Phillips, her sister and mother are in the city. Peter Martin, jr., has been very ill recently. Elder W. B. White, presiding elder, arrived in the city on the 9th to officiate at quarterly meeting. Mrs. Laura Hempstead was the guest of Mrs. Lou Houston on the 9th. The Bluff City band boys will give a superb concert in the near future. Mrs. Amanda Powell and Mrs. Mary Smith are seriously ill at this writing. Rev. Rolands delivered three powerful sermons at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church during the revival. The Maids, Pages and Baptist gave a grand entertainment on the 11th.

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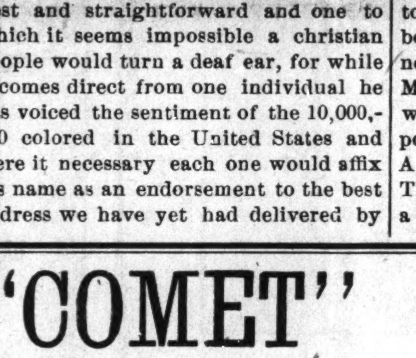

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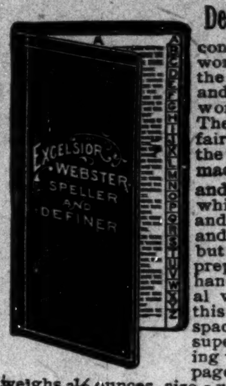

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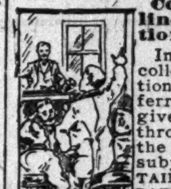

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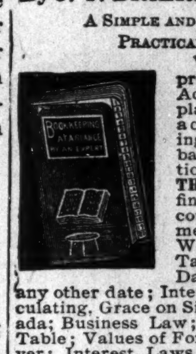

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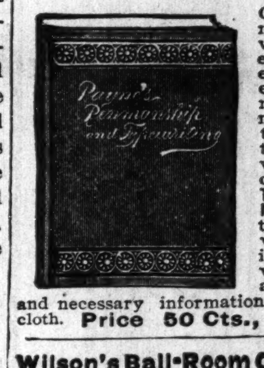

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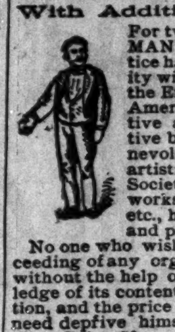

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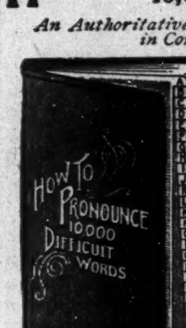

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CHAPTER XXI.

COUNTER-PLOTTING THE COUNTER-PLOT.

"A statesman that can side with every faction,
And yet most subtly can untwist himself,
When he hath wrought the business up to danger."
—Shirley.

CLARK always opened Miss Wright's letters, looked at them with a wise look, and then mailed them to Hardy who read them, wrote the answers and mailed the same back to Clark who mailed them from P——. Clark had, however, stolen several of the letters while visiting his friend during the summer. It may sound strange to say that a man can or did steal his own letters from his sweet heart, but such was the case. Hardy feared that Clark would some time make what they both called "a bad break" if he had any of Miss Wright's letters, so he kept them locked up. One day the box was open and Clark stole seven of the letters. He always carried them in his pocket, and was as Banks said always showing them to every Tom, Dick and Harry. When he received Miss Wright's short and cold letter there was something about its looks that made him think something was wrong; perhaps it was the shortness of the note; any way he got Tom O'Toole to read it for him and at once telegraphed for Hardy to come at once to P——.

"Something is wrong, Andy; we are whip-sawed sure; read this letter." Hardy read the letter and reflected.

"Oh I'll fix that up, Joe; I'll write a reply that will fix the matter up, but let me say two things: in the first place I fear it will some day all come out, and in the next place if it should don't mention my name for reasons I'll tell you some other time; now I'm going over to the Woodbine Hotel and try to counter act your unknown foe or foes. Hardy worded the following letter:

"P——, WESTCHESTER, Co., N. Y., JAN. 20, 1893.

"MY DEAR MARTHA:—Your cold, mysterious letter of the 29th is before me and its reception caused me to spend anything but 'A Happy New Year' yesterday. I can't fully understand your letter, but what I am so far able to glean from it is some one has been telling you false stories about me. The course of true love never did run smooth and why should Cupid make a new rule, or an exception to the old one for us? Martha, you are an intelligent woman and should use a little reason in this case. If I could not write it would cost me a small fortune from a poor man's view to have a secretary. If you reflect, you will remember that I have penned you letters from P——. N. Y., B——. Conn., one or two from Boston, and several from New York City. Have they not all been written in the same hand writing? Could I, a bread-winner as I am cart a human writing machine all over with me?

"Now, the whole matter is just this, Martha; some of your old lovers (if not beaux) are jealous of me; that's the whole matter, and have told perhaps a part of the truth in order to turn you against one who loves you dearly and has never by word or act done anything to merit you recalling your love for him.

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"Now Martha, dear, can't you think of some jilted admirer, some backwoods love-sick youth whose song you have refused to hear—some fellow you knew you could never love? If so, I make bold to say he is the cause of our present misunderstanding. If this letter does not satisfy you I will give up my position here and soon be by your side and try to convince you that I am the person I have represented myself to be.

"Your fond devoted admirer,
"JOSEPH CLARK."

Clark insisted upon hearing the letter read and after it was read and mailed he reflected for a while and then exclaimed: "By George! I have it Andy; I know the fellow that's done all this; its John Banks; the sucker, why that nigger'd do anything mean."

"Why, who in the duce is John Banks?"

"Don't you remember the sucker we met at the club who told you he worked at a saw mill?"

"Oh yes, but why should he try to throw you down."

"Well, because he was stuck on Martha Wright."

"Well, suppose he was; how does he know that you are writing to her?"

"I told him just for fun"

"There's no harm in that, but how does he know that some one is writing your letters for you, Joe?"

"Well, I'll tell you the truth, Andy. Last summer I took some of those letters out of your box; you see I wanted them to throw a bluff—"

"You wanted to throw the devil—but go on."

"And one night not long ago I spoke about my being engaged to Miss Wright, and Banks said I lied, so I pulled out the letters and the one you had sent me to be mailed to her and showed them and won the the bet. Now I will bet a thousand that sucker wrote to her."

"Does he know that you are just learning to write?"

"Yes, because we were chums down home and he wrote one or two letters for me."

"If I had known that I would not written the reply, but let the matter die out. This proxy courtship business is making too much trouble. My wife and I are on the outs about it."

"The h—l you say! How so Andy?"

"Why Miss Wright is like you; she does not take care of her letters but throws them all over Virginia, and my wife found a half of one when she visited the Beaconsville camp meeting last summer. As the part with your name was torn off she sweares to this day I wrote the letter for myself. The whole business has caused me lots of trouble. Its the most foolish thing in which I was ever implicated and I long to see the end. It was for your sake that I commenced it, and must say that you were or at least are, a d—— fool to keep it up. What do you say if we stop?"

"No sir! keep it up; I'm more anxious than ever to get her."

"Well, I long to see the end of the chapter and don't care how soon it ends," remarked Hardy as he started for B——. In a few days he was somewhat surprised to read the following:

"BEACONSVILLE, VA., Jan. 10, '93.

"DEAR JOSEPH:—I am only a woman and perhaps much weaker than most of my sex. Ours is the first love drama in which I have ever taken a part. I am not up to the tricks of would-be beaux. Your letter opened my eyes; I reflected and have concluded that you were right. The letter of information was written by a man I have time and time again refused to admire or open to him the door of my heart. He stands high in the estimation of my uncle and just wrote to him and then to me informing me that you could not read or write and related many other things about you, all of which I do not believe.

"Forgive your own Martha, and believe her when she says that nothing will ever again shake her confidence in the future, that she is loved by one of the best and truest men in the world. Your offer, my dear boy, to sacrifice your position in order to fly to my side and prove the truthfulness of your statements is the most heroic I have ever read. No, dear Joseph, stay at your work until you can arrange for a visit which I hope will be next summer, and believe me to be,

"As ever yours fondly,
"MARTHA."

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Colored Woman's Congress.

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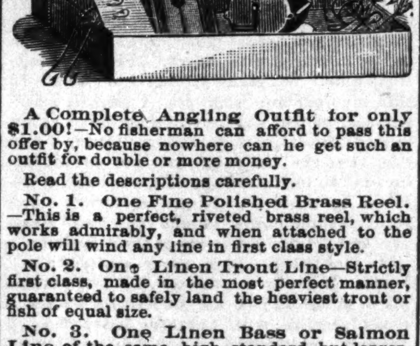

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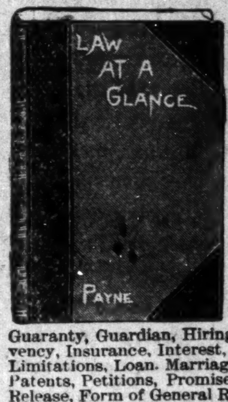

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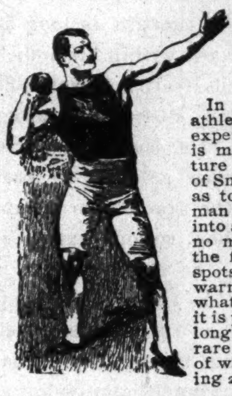

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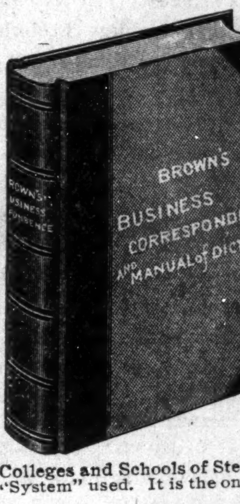

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THE PRESIDENT AND THE LYNCHERS.

On another page in this issue is an able argument by Edwin H. Hackley, Denver, Col. His first sentence is very pertinent; calculated to arrest immediate attention. "What can the President of the United States do to stop lynching?"

This queston, doubtless, will provoke much comment. Under the existing constitution there can be no intervention of federal authority in matters pertaining to the state solely.

Practically there is no remedy beyond the one of creating sentiment against the evil, which sentiment will prove stronger than any law. If sheriffs fail to apprehend it is because they are backed up by the known sentiment of the community. Sheriffs would exhaust all resources, to faithfully perform their duties, if, in doing so they received the welcome approbation of the people. We agree with Mr. Hackley that it is a little hard to blame Harrison, because he could not see how he could possibly aid those colored petitioners. Mr. Cleveland should be importuned and thus relieve the question of its political aspect. Interference that comes on account of party allegiance will be a breeder of wider breeches of racial antipathies.

There has been no case, at least, of recent years that might establish a precedent. While the government hustled troops to the scenes of action during the late strikes, yet this was simply a precaution for the safe conduct of the mail.

Amending the constitution, making it applicable to a peculiar people would not meet the approval of Congress nor the thinking class of people. It would fly in the face of the late Civil Rights Bill. The Negroes could scarcely afford to be subjected to class legislation for it, in the premises, admits the thing, all hope against; a settled policy of contempt by the opposite race; a thing no one cares to see pressed home. We believe that any laws made looking forward to the amelioration of the existing condition will simply emphasize the condition; giving it a too general character, whereas now the evil is localized. Governmental recognition of the evil will certainly work hardships, more especially, if there is no remedy to save. Nor can we quite agree with Mr. Hackley when he speaks of legislative investigation. One needs not look very far to see the train of evil consequences that follow. Salutary effects, as a rule, do not follow methods of a coercive tendency. The Force Bill is a reminder for example. No piece of attempted legislation since the war was as provocative of so much anathematizing discussion as the mere mention of this intended "infliction." In fact it came near disrupting the party, not from the harm that might follow but from the principle involved. State sovreignty is a powerful shibboleth, and Calhounism stalketh on. It is very evident that good customs which precedes law, and sentiment that makes and breaks it, is the aegis under which the race must fight on to victory.

Mr. Hackly suggests that the President might call attention to the circumstances in his annual messages. This seems to be of the same species of remedies as the foregoing ones and likely to bear just such fruit. Harrison, we believe, advanced a tenet in one of his annual messages which the South immediately interpreted as a federal menace and threatened usurpation. There remains one, and only one remedy. Presidents, judges and sheriffs are brushed aside when the people seek to appease their wrath. A healthy sentiment must be created. Years may be needed to accomplish the object, but it will come.

THE SECULAR AND CHURCH PRESS.

The secular press as a disseminator of knowledge of church affairs is meeting some opposition. Dr. Henderson, of New York, a brilliant advocate of the larger liberties of the man makes a splendid argument in favor of the secular press, in view of the subsidized attitude of some church journals. He intimates that the church journal is a valuable vehicle of thought as long as the subject matter is within "bounds." Those some bounds likely, however, to be staked off for you. Bishop Lee rather deprecates the idea that the world should sit in the galleries to pass judgement on the grand church tableaux. The Bishop, to some extent, is right, but when the church organ is deaf and dumb to all but the elect, men naturally chafe under the ordeal. Some men will not be crushed by what they deem an engine of oppression as long as their is a remedy. If they can not give vent to their feelings through what might be termed legitimate channels other avenues are eagerly sought. Dr. Henderson cites cases of men who were crushed on account of what he consideres a biased machine. THE FREEMAN does not hope to instigate church differences. It does not desire to see the frailties or the foibles of the race ventilated, yet it throws open its columns to the fortunate or to the unfortunate who, perchance, is sinned against more than sinning.

MR. OCTAVIUS V. ROYALL, a young colored man, a native Virginian, who completed the three year law course at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., last June, arrived in our city last Sunday. He comes here to practice his profession, he is at present connected with the Deputy Attorney General's office. Mr. Royall was admitted to the bar in Massachusetts before he finished his course at Harvard, where he enjoyed the reputation of a good student among both students and professors. He is also a member of the Virginia bar. W. H. Lewis, the famous foot ball player, and Royall were the only colored men in their class of 120 men at Harvard. He certainly has had the advantage of attending the best law school in this country and ought to be, and no doubt is, well equipped for his profession.

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MR. R. W. THOMPSON, late of our city, but now of Washington, D. C., is giving a series of lectures. He holds that Negro journalism will prove a powerful factor in solving the race problem. Mr. Thompson should know; he is a journalist of no mean repute. He is of excellent parts, with a decided talent for the work in which he is engaged.

UNCLE SAM has a penchant for hunting trouble at long range. What's the matter with home affairs?

SENATOR VORHEES, Indiana's Senior Senator, has introduced a bill in favor of appropriating $1,500 for Ex-Consul Waller's wife. Here is some body's opportunity.

T. M'CANTS STEWART FLAYED

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ous grounds, and defend yourself in the next breath, because I decline to be named with renegades and floppers.

Had I ever been in Democratic ranks "on principle," I should have remained with them "on principle," and I should never present such shallow, puerile, self evidently false reasons for betraying them. But whom have you not betrayed? You sought to disbar a fellow attorney and church member; you have to my knowledge betrayed the confidences of one of the men for whom you now profess unswerving friendship; you have appropriated the fame and the ideas of one of nature's gentlemen, Phillip A. White, one whom I was proud to call a friend. You have dragooned your way, by the methods of the tough, over the best people of Brooklyn, introducing discord where there was peace, raising false, mean and scandalous issues, and in your limitless egotism, pose throughout the country as representing both New York City and Brooklyn, South Carolina, and outlying territory. If your ability were only equal to your conceit, you would be a Cicero. As it is, your antics may astonish the ears of groundlings; by your pomposity, audacity and unscrupulousness (notice my words) but I submit, the hands are hardly clean enough to be brought into a Court of Equity.

I may not have grown much in ten years according to your standards. It takes a very bright man to grow much after fifty, and I do not lay any claim to exceptional cleverness. As a matter of fact, there is far more scope for you to grow than there is for me, if you can fathom the remark. What pains me to observe is the evident signs of degeneration, as seen in your vituperation, your inability to appreciate delicate shades of irony and humor, and your rambling, inconsequential style. Fortunately for the good of society, no one understands your fundamental limitations so well as I do. I am well aware of your pretensions, and your puerile and portentuous assumptions of knowledge which you do not possess, or never sufficiently digested to assimilate and make a real part of your mental pabulum.

You are a mental dyspeptic with an atra-bilious nature. Whenever I hear you beating your cracked tin pan and tooting your cheap tin horn, I know there is some charlatan trick you are seeking to hide, some scheme you are trying to foist upon an innocent people. You are a putter up of jobs, even at your Literary Union, by your own statement. You know how you "damned" Murray and Du Bois and others, "with faint praise" or by innuendo, after they had accepted your invitation in good faith. Most of them are modest men and fear to antagonize you; I am of different stuff; I can flay you alive, and do it like a gentleman.

I shall make a sketch of you that will live, and I shall not employ any spies to run after you. I want your photo for the Afro-American gallery. It is a dirty, disagreeable job, but some one must do it in the true interest of the race. You are a type that needs suppression like Alice's Guinea pigs, and what is worse, you are dominating a city which has been the home for fifty years of some of the best men of the race, men whom you seek to patronize and pat upon the shoulder, with insufferable conceit.

You have the audacity to charge me with leaving the race, a cheap fling hurled at every prominent colored man for forty years, from the great Douglass all along down the line. Garnett, in my boyhood, used to hurl it at Downing, a Democrat by the way, who has the merit of consistency, and has never been rewarded for his faithfulness; a model whom such fellows as you could well imitate. But this cry about leaving the race is an old dodge. You will never be accused. You are safe It is my deliberate opinion, however, that had you one-third the chances some of your contemporaries have had, you would have run clear over the line and remained. It is impossible for you to be an impartial judge on such phases, because you do not know what you would do. When you inferentially assert a superiority because of your stronger identity, we place you in the same catagory with the white aristocrat of color only. This is a two edge sword, dangerous for boys to play with.

Let me give you a further analysis. You are totally unfit for the bar, for the reason you are an impressionist, a sensationalist, pure and simple, incapable of discretion where your feelings are concerned. That it is congenial only excuses, does not do away with the fact. It has to be stated to explain many of your eccentric. and absurd, and exaggerated notions, especially the notion that in some occult way, you are the linchpin of black universe. Your mind is a prism incapable of transmitting the slightest impression accurately. It invariably distortes, refracts, minimizes or exaggerates the thought, thing or person it apprehends. Each one who has had the slightest relation with you will recognize my master hand, in thus portraying your leading trait. You pride yourself upon your skill as "a hitter." It seems to be a favorite term of yours. And yet it don't impress me. I learned to box from Molineux, a good man in his day. You will pardon me, but you do not seem to have learned any literary sparing, such lessons as I am giving you here. Your blows do not seem to be delivered with effect. They are somewhat wide. You seem strongest on fouls. In this, my final bout with you, I essay the difficult task of teaching you how to strike a blow fair and direct; how to follow it up; how to keep your eye on your man, not his family; how not to hit below the belt, and how to deliver a knockout. Even you rhetoric is defective. It should have taught you how to be severe and yet parliamentary at the same time.

My dear fellow, I have never aspired to be a leader. There is no jealousy, no fear and no alarm so far as you are concerned. You will never interfere with anything I aspire to. I am only ambitious to be a full fledged American citizen, demanding all my rights at all times and yielding none of them. All such leaders as you can fly on. I can always keep you in sight, and outstrip you whenever I choose to exert myself. Enjoy your brief present. Sensible men like myself know our limitations, and hence we are saved the gnawings of ambition, the cross grained looks, and the spiteful spasms of that bogus class of leaders, et id genus omne part of whose spurious coin I am now nailing down to the counter.

You seem rather fond of equity. It is a nice word. Since you have rushed pell-mell into court breathless, hatless, from the coming storm, let me advise you first, "Nebber you be frightened. Dem is only darkeys, come to jine and fight for Uncle Sam."

But since you are here, "What are you here for? Whom do you represent? Relator or Respondent? Republicanism or Democracy? Free Trade or Protection?"

A lawyer who takes a fee when he knows he will lose the case, is a robber. One who takes it and don't know, is dangerously near an ignoramus. A lawyer who argues his case first in the newspaper and afterwards in court (as Miss Frazier's) and don't know that, a writ of mandamus will not lie against a sub-board ought not to be quizzed too hard in a court of equity. Ask him easy questions. Are you here as McStewart, the Democrat, or as McStewart, the partially converted Republican? We have heard of you often as an unterrified and unqualified Democrat. Please inform us first, "Is your Republicanism now qualified?" "Is it for 'revenue only,' or is it the plain old free-trade, Democratic-republicanism?" Don't be embarrased, there is nothing here about your family, or your relatives, or whom you associate with; nothing your enemies say about you; but you alone are to answer for the faith in you, once delivered to the saints. That is the issue on which we joined and it don't make a tuppence difference, whether in life you have succeeded or failed, mentally, physically or in worldly goods, answer, answer man, take either horn of the dilema, wiggle off if you can or stand impaled.

Still another question, "Do you come honestly into this court?"

There is something very peculiary about your re-conversion. You are a kind of Saul and it needs a blinding light from heaven to turn you. I have been informed that your South Carolina Republican friends have a case in the United States Court, and you wanted to get on board. But they said, "Nay, thou art a Democrat, and our friends here would say, 'go to,' if we employed thee. Quickly change thy coat, repent thee of thy manifold sins, and perchance we may employ thee." It seems, then, you heard the Damascus cry, "And this is the true inwardness of your untoward, hasty, unseemly and apparently illogical flop.

You always have a motive. This time as before it is still for revenue, all looking forward to the things that are. I have the pleasure of unmasking you, Sir Joseph, surface!

But back to the court: "In any event, under either banner, what right have you in a court of equity? Why, your hands are covered with the blood of your race, dripping from South Carolina and Texarkana. Are you here to represent the wolves or the lambs? The lamb's blood is on your hands, and mark me, you will never wash it out. You didn't run away from the lambs? What did you do? You "made history" playing with both at the same time, and now you run back complaining because the wolves ate them. We always knew they would. Now after the event when you have been feasted, gorged on lamb's flesh and are filled with lamb's blood at Tammany banquets, you ran back crying, "wolf!" You, whom Northern teachers in the wake of the war taught to spell freedom. You, whom the gallant Howard cared for; you, whom black South Carolina Republicans educated; you, pushed and shoved here in New York till you reached your perch, and then sold out those who made you, you the loud-mouthed, blatant, black-eulogiser of democracy, on principle, go wash your hands! An equity court is not your place. You need a good dose of common law, and that on the criminal side.

When the prodical son returned in his political rags, he stood afar off, and dared not so much as lift up his eyes. He freely acknowledged he was no more worthy to be called son, and desired to be only counted as one of the hired servants. This was a contrite spirit, a sense of wrong done, and feeling outraged, and rights forfeited. You come back as usual in a band wagon, bowing, smirking on all sides, talking to the jury as usual, hat in hand, trying to have us realize the favor you are conferring. There is no apology. Defiance rather. No saving clause. No tear of repentance. On the contrary, the old tactics; pitch into the boys who remained with the old man and thus obscure the issue. You quickly find fault with the way we have weeded the patch; there was a day we ran off; we have been trying to build monuments to a great Republican who advocated the XV Amendment, without which you never could have cast a Democratic vote. You can do all these things better. Get to the rear, traitor and ingrate. Take your place among the camp followers and scullions. Don't attempt to serve in the honorable ranks. None will ever dare trust you again.

You make history do you? You have made some. Let me refresh your memory. Columbia, S. C., 1876. Robert B. Elliott, whose law partner you were, who made you, who pushed you over better men, stood at bay, the hounds at his throat, attacked by the men whom he he had befriended and defended. He was fighting for the United States senatorship, his right by virtue of merit. Where were you then? On the side of the enemy as ever. Where were Straker and Greener? At his side, showing him the difference between true and false friends. What was the specious ground of your opposition? He was not born in South Carolinia. The event no man can govern. Suppose this test had been applied to you in New York City, or in Brooklyn?

Your base ingratitude, as I have demonstrated, is equalled only by your audacity and presumption. Notice how the words fit! As a former minister of the gospel, as a present christian, a follower of the meek and lowly Jesus, you should recall a parallel case to yours. Does your mind not see the vision of Judas Iscariot? He, after betraying his Lord and Master, had so keen a sense of his unpardonable crime that he went straightway and hanged himself. Had he been McCants Stewart he would have swaggered back and upbraided Luke and James for not having paid close attention to the nets in 1888, or scolded them for leaving the race, anything to keep out of sight, Gethsemane and Calvary. You want equity, do you? Permit plain Mr. Greener, not so distinguished a "counsellor" as you but evidently knowing more real law, to give your fill of equity. rather more than you expected or would desire. Remember too this comes from one who has not grown in ten years, in fact has not yet attained his mental growth, but who knew enough twenty years ago to dispose completely of men, whose calibre was no greater than yours. One word about your smaller lies, You never dared to use such language as you say at the Western Union building. I never was a candidate for any school in New York. Personally I should prefer to be a failure according to my own standard than a success by yours. The cheap John methods and cart-tail advertising scheme you learned in a vicious school, and they have become second nature to you; they are indeed vital. You could not exist without them. They are not necessary to me. I am known where you never will be. I out-class you, in fact and ought, with propriety, to give you points and time and scorn age allowance. But one has to stoop sometimes to do a public service which many would like to do, but shrink at the task.

I shall wash my hands when I am done with you. You preferred me, you say, to "skunk," your own choice word. Would that I possessed your acute instinct! I should in that case have escaped the mephitic odors, which proceed from your peculiar mode of warfare, and must cling to anyone who handles you properly. Finally, and with all the distinguished consideration, which you deserve, I am,

RICHARD T. GREENER.

New York City.

BROKEN AFTER EIGHTY YEARS.

Is "The Cage of Tameness," Says Jno. M. Henderson, D. D.

Men who began public life twenty years ago and who have not kept pace with the progressive transformation of their environment are but acting according to honest convictions, when they resent and seek to repel many of the new forces and actors which crowd in upon them. There are large numbers of prominent men who do not see the colored press in its true light, and who honestly believe many of its endeavors to join in the work of race progress to be rank presumption and mere meddlesomeness. Since twenty years ago, a whole generation of trained thinkers and educated workers, have entered the field. The field is no longer occupied entirely by the church, but the school, the press, and the enlightened home and refined social circle all teem with activities and are constantly giving birth to new thoughts and advanced movements. That man who now despises the press, the school, the social circle, simply shows that he has been asleep. There are many prominent men in the church who still think of such men as Conner, Johnson, Cheek, Downs, Heard, Choppelle et al as boys, and who regard it as rediculous that they should dare to boldly advance opinions. There have been many who have been so accustomed to reign with autocratic power that they cannot understand why The Freeman, Age, Gazette, and such papers do not cringe and tremble when told to be silent.

I heard lately of a preacher who stopped his sermon and roundly abused a young student, who sat in the congregation taking notes. The poor fool could not understand how anybody could take notes of his sermon without being up to something evil. There are delegates to several conferences who actually think it both wise and right to remain silent as the grave about their sentiments and measures contemplated, and who honestly think that the right way to do this is to spring their views and propositions suddenly upon the convention. They are like a preacher who gave for his excuse for not selecting a text before going into the pulpit, the queer reason, "If I pick a text ahead of time it gives the devil a chance to fix me."

Thus many delegates regard all their brother delegates as servants of the devil and do not believe that they would honestly consider any proposition and must, therefore, not be given time to think. There is, however, a less honest and more subtle reason which leads many to seek to prevent discussion. In most conferences there are certain men who consider themselves to be the leaders. They go about the country and write here and there and make combinations with other leaders. When the convention meets these leaders frequently get appointed on most of the important committees, and are usually sought out and talked to while the more modest men of their delegations are unnoticed and unknown. When voting time comes there leaders have tales ready to tell their simple followers and thus often deliver the goods. It is natural that men with such intentions would seek to prevent discussion and would try to keep the news from their dupes. The prospects are that no one or two men will again absorb the individuality of delegations. Very few weak men have been elected, and it is clear that strong men will think and act each for himself. Here and there appear the names of delegates who are the mere creatures of strong and presumptious men, and whose presence in the general conference will be unnoted, but as a rule, there are few delegations that can be carried around in any man's pocket.

There have been cases where Bishops tried to influence the election of delegates and have been pointedly defeated themselves. There are cases when men who have stood out against the candidates of the Bishop have been left without appointments and shipped off to new conferences, but there are few cases where the conferences have failed to elect just about who they wanted. As a rule, the Bishops have been very fair and very manly in the matter, and there are but two instances in which public complaints have been made. The present bench of Bishops are heartily in sympathy with the men are more like older brothers or fathers than and like Lords and rulers. The humblest man in Bishop Grant's conferences can come right up to him and pour out his heart's most secret thoughts without fear of being misunderstood or rebuked. This is true of most all of the other men on the bench. There are, however, said to be some exceptions, and in some cases there are evidences of the disposition to crush out those who are not pliable. There are oftimes excuses for this apparant tyranny, for there are some preachers who are as unreasonable and as stubborn as mules, and who can understand nothing but the harsh word and the sword. There are some men who for years have made it a rule to insult the Bishops from the floor of the General Conferences, and to threaten to take their delegations and go home if not permitted to have the "pint of order" claimed. There are others who are merely used as tin pans by the crafty, who thus drown out arguments which they cannot answer by setting their packs to yelping. It is a very rare case that any of the really able men undertake to debate questions at the General Conference. Any man of refinement would sit down unheard rather than to contend for the floor with noisy, rude, and thoughtless men who have no other purpose than to interrupt. There is only one man who is not bother by the dim and roar and that is the giant presiding elder from Arkansas, who has a voice like pealing thunder and who can tower over the greatest tempest and command attention.

Dr. George W. Bryant, in his day, was also a great power in a storm. But the circumstances of the present demand that men should be given a quiet hearing and arguments be answered by arguments. This would call forth such princely debaters as Dr. Green, and men of his type whose speeches are invaluable. The obstructionalists are almost always men of no wieght at home, but who are the creatures of crafty leaders. I don't think that I ever heard a man of any note dispute on a point of order and indulge in parlimentary quibbles except Dr. Jackson, but I have often seen some of the strongest men sit down rather than to contend against noisy fellows, who at a signal bounce upon their feet and yell like fiends incarnate. It is to be hoped that this General Conference will be on a new order. It would be worth a great deal to hear an uninterrupted speech from men like Scott, Sampton, Abby, Jones, Ross, Softon and scores of others who are men of experience, thought, and real convictions.

Some months ago Rev. J. S. Lee, D. D., of Baltimore, made a speech at Atlantic City that was of the greatest merit, yet in the average General Conference, no one could have done it. The church would be blessed with hundreds of good speeches and the individualities of scores of men would be asserted and felt if the unthinking, noisy tools that bark on points of order could be kept at home. There is no other way to secure order, for men who are not refined simply laugh at rebuke and have no sense of shame. Men act according to their character, and for that reason character should be the test of worth. There are many educated men who are as uncouth as savages and there are many uneducated men who are as refined and courtly as princes. It is the man of thought from whom we want to hear no matter whether he uses smooth language or not, it is the thought that is of value. There are men who are rich in experience and whose thoughts are golden, there are other men who have given no time to serious thought, who have no actual convictions, but who have the gift of gab and and who are torments. Rev. R. C. Holbrooks of Mississippi, has an article in a late Recorder which is replete with careful thought, fearlessly and clearly expressed. Such men should be heard from in General Conference and mere bablers should be silent. There are hundreds who should be made to know of the great army of men like this which has come to the front. Let those who think that they can scare the ministry into silence read these words which closed Rev. Mr. Holbrook's article. He said—"I dare not hope to please, but merely to state my views upon a well worn subject. * * * I break the cage of tameness, worn round the A.M.E. church for over eighty years, and soar in the empyrean of mind and bask in the blaze of God's free truth, regardless of the antiquated sluggards that are willing to tread the same path, though filled with prejudice. I will fear the missiles that I suspect will be hurled against me." Then there are others, many others who think, feel, and will act likewise. The day has come when a few leaders cannot fix up a plan, keep it covered until time to vote and then rush it through. The delegates will have to be considered as individuals and not through a "boss."

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Personal Mention.

Clarendon, Ark., Special.

The Mite's met at Mrs. Belle Smiths Thursday night and had a very successful affair for the benefit of the church. The rumor that small-pox is in the city is false. Miss Mary McClinton, after spending a week here visiting friends and relatives, returned to her home in Brinkley. Little Hattie Milan, who is sick, is able to be around. J. G. Walker is improving slowly. Miss Davis, of Fordyce, sister of J. S. Davis, passed through the city on the 13th, en route to Poplar Grove. Mrs. Rev. A. J. White is taking an active part in the Sunday School. Mrs. J. E. Hamilton and Miss Sanders were out to class-meeting last Friday night. Miss N. C Smith, who is attending the Cotton Plant School, was in Brinkley last week. Mr. Doris, of Poplar Bluff, Mo., is in the city visiting relatives. Mr. A. Burrel and Miss Frankin were out Sunday night. Mr. Sneed is expecting his sister, Mrs. Knox, over soon from Pine Bluff. Larna Borner, of Helena, was in the city last week visiting friends and relatives. Mrs. Sarah Smith has been attending the bed of her sick sister for three weeks. Her sister is much better at this writing. Old Brother Armer is still sick. James Dois has a position at E. F. Berry's as clerk. Curley Martin is a regular visitor. Everett McChristian of Brinkley was in the city Sunday visiting Miss Sarah Smith. Don't forget the rally day the third Sunday in next month. The Freeman at your door every Saturday.

In Memory of John Shelton.

Galveston, Tex., Special.

At a meeting of the Island City Quartette Society, of Galveston, Tex., held Jan. 9th, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Almighty God to remove from our midst our late member, John Shelton, and

WHEREAS, The intimate relations long held by our deceased brother and companion with the members of this society, we therefore, deem it proper that we should place on record our appreciation of his services as a member of this society and his merits as a man, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Island City Quartette Society, that while we bow with submission to the will of the Most High, we do not the less mourn for our brother who has been called from our midst.

Resolved, That by the death of our brother, this society has lost a member who was always present to advance the interest of the society; devoted to its welfare and prosperity, one who was fearless in actions, honest and upright whose virtues endeared him not only to the brethren of his society, but to all his fellow citizens.

Resolved, That this society tender its profoundest sympathy to the family and relatives of our deceased brother.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the Texas Freeman and Indianapolis Freeman.

R. C. LYONS, Sect'y.

Latest News.

Temple, Tex., Special.

There were two entertainments given by George Jackson and sister at Mrs. Hattie Shanklins. Mrs. Scott Haren will move to Houston where her husband is. Elder Haren was P.E. here for years. We wish him success in his new field. George Wade has moved his family here from Galveston. Mr. Wade is a first-class man, he always takes The Freeman and says he must read it every week. S. E. Epperson says that he is here to stay. He has a grocery. Mrs. H. C. Anderson and their little one spent a day in the country recently. Mrs. Shanklin made a flying trip to Hillton last week. Dr. Holland is doing good work in Temple for the race. Mrs. Woods will be home soon. Ben Thomas got hurt by a fall Hope to see him out again. Don't forget to get The Freeman.

Perfect Manhood,
Health, Strength and Vigor
TO A RIPE OLD AGE.

The sins of youthful ignorance, the dissipation, the weakness that proves a barrier to marriage—these are the things that are daily plunging thousands of men into a condition of utter ruin. —The wasted parts, emissions, nervousness and physical debility all resulting from abuses and excesses, continue to sap the life away simply because the sufferer in his ignorance is too bashful, too far gone in a shrinking fear of discovery to make known his condition or to seek out a friend. It is this lack of courage, this blighting, backward fear that has prompted me to make known to every man, weak and worn out from dissipation or secret sins, that there is a chance for you, an opportunity whereby you may be lifted out of that state of dread and despair to a happy condition of self respect and manly courage. I, too, had secretly suffered for years, but through the agency of a remarkable remedy I am now a happy, vigorous man enjoying to the fullest measure the blessings and privileges that only complete manhood can bestow. I will send (sealed) the recipe of this wonderful remedy FREE to any sufferer who will write to me. Enlargement certain. It cured me after everything else had failed, and it will cure you. Address, C. H. Muller, Box 998, Kalamazoo, Mich.

PRESIDENT AND LYNCHERS.

AN INTERESTING ARTICLE BY EDWIN H. HACKLEY, OF COL.

The Recent Conference of Colored Men at Detroit—Mr. Hackley Suggests That the President Call Attention to the Circumstances in His Annual Message.

What can the President of the United States do to stop lynchings? This is a question seldom asked. There is a very general belief apparently, almost universal among Afro-Americans that his preventive, protective or corrective powers in this respect are unlimited, should he choose to exercise them. The anathemas of the race are often hurled at the President because of his supposed discriminating indifference to its appeals for direct executive action against the dibolical system that has grown up in the body politic, making the life of the black citizen, especially in the South, uncertain and unsafe. The idea of administrative protection is very far reaching in the minds of the Afro-American people. It probably grows out of that condition in which they considered themselves, and were by others considered the wards of the nation. They are prone to look upon the heads of government as, within themselves, the great executors of the law. In their magnified stress they appeal to such functionaries as the duly constituted guardians of the helpless and they are suprised, disappointed and everlastingly embittered against the individual incumbent when they are told that redress must come from another quarter.

In this way a too severe sentiment was established against President Harrison when in office, who, when visited by a delegation of colored men who asked him to take some action against the lynch evil, expressed his sympathy for the oppressed, but declared his inability to effectually reach the evil. Out of this same idea have arisen the scatching comparisons of the actions of the executive in despatching United States troops to protect property from the fury of mobs during railroad strikes and the absolute inaction of the same executive for the protection of the life of the citizen.

The recent conference of colored men at Detroit struck upon this constitutional shoal in its address to the country, although, at least two lawyers of note took prominent part in its deliberations, one of whom may have framed the useless address, which seeks to ridicule the powers and relations of the government. And out of this uncovered error springs the many misaimed resolutions and memorials to congress, which hoodwinking statesmen saddle upon the whole body of listless lawmakers, without sincere inquiry into its legal abilities or powers in the premises. A blind lead brings poor results, for in all immediate cases, a remedy for these ills seems as far away as it was at the beginning. But the fabric upon which our government is builded is to be blamed for these conditions, and not the President of the United States. The machinery of the law cannot be inverted. This is a Republic. The power of the government rests first with the people. They delegate to the Congress and the executive power to direct their united interests as a nation. They reserve to themselves, in the form of State governments, the right of self-control as individuals and as citizens. They put upon their officers provided by the laws of the state, the duty of enforcing the laws of the state and of providing security and protection in the peaceful pursuit of happiness and prosperity to the citizen. A violent act against any citizen or resident of a state by another citizen or resident, is a breach of the peace of the state, and therefore, a crime against the state, not against the Nation. The state law provides the remedy. The first officer of a county where such violence occurs, is charged with the arrest and prosecution of the offenders; If such officer for any reason whatever, fail or refuse to do his sworn duty, the injured citizen is placed unavoidably at a great hazard. All his rights are then made almost solely dependent upon what is termed public sentiment. In the case of mobs, uprisings and outbreaks against which the sheriff's forces are unable or unwilling to cope, the governor may order out the militia, but only upon request of the sheriff, unless the governor see cause to declare the county in a state of insurrection and therefore under martial law. Without such request from the sheriff or such declaration from the governor the courts of the county and their officers, are supposed to represent the law and to control the rights of the people. Should the governor fail or refuse to interfere with such a mob or other outbreak, there is no immediate relief. The President of the United States is not charged with the duty of keeping the peace of the state, unless the breach amounts to invasion, rebellion or other overt act against the wellbeing of the United States as a national government. The National Constitution provides only as follows:

ARTICLE I.—Section 8. Congress shall have power to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections and repel invasions.

ARTICLE IV.—Section 4. The United States shall guarantee to every state in this Union, a Republican form of government, and shall protect each of them against invasion; and on application of the legislature, or of the executive (when the legislature cannot be convened) against domestic violence.

There appears to be nothing in the National Constitution which can be interpreted to give the President authority to employ arbitrary measures for the benefit of a private citizen within the jurisdiction of the state, or for the suppression of domestic violence, however cruel or shocking.

Upon the other hand, it is true that the President of the Uuited States may, without leave of state authority, send federal troops into or through any state, to protect the property of the government, to execute the government's obligation to forward the mails, to serve process out of United States Courts, to arrest or subdue government offenders, or to protect any official of the United States in the discharge of his duties, under any and all circumstances.

In view of the terrible mob records of the various states, already a dark blot upon the Christian character of the Nation. There is undoubted and unmeasured evil in these conditions, but the fundamental reason and responsibility for it all, lies neither in the lack of law nor the absence of federal interference, but in the morbid, cruel, prejudiced sentiments of the people. This is the only obstruction standing in the way of the punishment and suppression of mobs.

Here, then, is the condition which the President of the United States and the governors of the separate states must face. The President cannot escape all responsibility. With all the defence heretofore made for him, he can do far more to correct and stop the growth of this shocking domestic evil, than any such officer has ever yet attempted. It is the duty of the President, as an administrator of the welfare of all the people, to call the attention of the Congress to this great domestic fester, and direct federal investigation into its causes and tendencies. The finding of a congressional commission that any state, by its own authority, is unable or refuses to give to all its citizens, the equal protection of the laws, would justify federal interference. But what state would want to suffer such a stigma? There is the President's plain duty. There should be no more presidential messages without plain and emphatic reference to the systematic growth of lynchings of citizens of the United States within the United States.

But far above the president are the governors of the states responsible for the perpetuation of this crime. Upon the governor's sterling regard for the law depends the security of every citizen. Every open defiance of the law within his commonwealth, besmirches his honor as an official, and lowers the standing of every citizen. Few men so base as to be unwilling to recognize this fact, are ever elevated to such an honorable offiice. Some there have been, but the tendencies of the times are for the better. Governor O'Ferrell, of Virginia, is making a remarkable record in the suppression of mobs. Ex-Governor McKinley, of Ohio, show himself not remiss in this behalf. Governor Atkinson, of Georgia, and Governor Bradley, of Kentucky, have called the attention of their respective legislatures to the magnitude of the mob evil, while the Constitutional Convention of South Carolina, in recent session, has provided for the punishment of officials who permit lynchings, making the county where a lynching is perpetrated responsible in damages. Every state legislature should imitate this example. The inciting to roit by newspapers or individuals should likewise be considered a crime. This is the only sure way to reach these outrages. Heretofore many officials have been blinded as to their duty in the promises by the vicious monster of race prejudice, against which their christian duty to God and man demands that they be invulnerable. But a better day is dawning. It must come if the government of the United States would seek its own safety. In the wisdom of the people rests their security. Humanitarians and statesmen alike are beginning to see out of this cauldron of injustice, hatred and oppression must come one of two things; a firm and impartial execution of the law, or anarchy.

EDWIN H. HACKLEY.

Denver, Col.

Sunday School Organization.

Knowles, La., Special.

Blooming Hill Baptist Sabbath school met Jan. 12th and was organized and elected the following officers: Prof. C. H. Harris, superintendent; Miss W. L. Hall, assistant superintendent; Miss Nancy Lewis, secretary; Miss Essie Jones, assistant secretary; Miss L. D. Lewis, librarian; Greer Huey, assistant librarian, Miss E. L. May, treasurer; Prof. C. H. Harris teacher of the advance class; sister W. L. Hall second teacher; and sister Nancy Lewis third teacher.

Newsy Notes.

Mineola, Tex., Special.

We have had plenty of rain and some cold weather here, but no snow. Rev. A. D. Miller of Longview, Tex., arrived in the city the 17th. Mrs. Margaret Wooten's son died on the 15th. The Freeman for $1.00. A few days left.

A VISIT TO ATLANTA, GA.

The First National Congress of Colored Women—The Negro Exhibit and Exhibtors—Observations Enroute—By Lillian Thomas-Fox, Indianapolis.

Apropos an invitation to participate in the program of the First National Congress of Colored Women called to meet in Atlanta Dec. 27-28-29, '95, coupled with a desire to visit the Exposition, we left Indianapolis Dec. 22nd with Atlanta as an objective point. Remaining over night at Cincinnati, afforded us opportunity to travel by daylight through what is conceded to be one of the most picturesque routes furnished by an American railway. The stretch of natural scenery which has made the Queen & Cresent route famous to travelers to the South, lies between the cities of Lexington, Ky., and Chattanooga, Tenn., the beauty of which is perhaps accentuated by the stretch of barren waste land, save at long intervals a rude hut with dilapidated fence and outbuildings, the whole surrounded with a tobacco patch, which, commencing at the Ohio river forms the scene, until we have reached this section where nature seems to have aggregated so many beauties of form and proportion. We travel for several hours through a road-bed flanked on either side by immense stone ledges, whose ragged and seemingly detached borders overhang the roadside and seem to quake threateningly as the train rumbles along their base. They are composed of a quality of slate, or as the resident calls it, sheer rock, and seem to have been riven by the elements into most fanciful shapes and streaked and molten into no less fanciful colors. Soon we are merged into a stretch of comparatively smooth table land and the road being serpentine at this point we may discern by virtue of its angles the Kentucky river in the distance over which we are soon to cross by the famous high bridge which connects Kentucky and Tennessee at this point, and which is 12,000 feet long and 287 feet 4 inches high. The ascent to the bridge is so gradual as to dispel our apprehension as to dizziness when we should make it, and it is not until we find ourselves at an altitude which makes the objects below us appear as tiny specks that we contemplate our point of observation as a "dizzy height" and could wish ourselves on terra firma.

The river crossed, our first glimpse of Tennessee is one that rests the eye and the senses as well, to prepare us as it were for the new beauties which await us. After a delightful repose of mind, lasting perhaps thirty minutes, we find ourselves drawing near to a picturesque rise said to be seven-eighths of a mile in height and which by reason of its flat head, its bulging sides, and tapering summit and base, is called Keg mountain. This is the gateway to a continuous range of mountains of varied heights, some of which we partially encircled by our train's circuitous path, while we plunged through others by tunnels which occur at this particular point in rapid succession and vary in length from one quarter to seven-eighths of a mile. The transit from Cincinnati to Atlanta includes twenty-seven tunnels, most of which being in this, the mountainous district of Tennessee, although they occur, but at longer intervals, after we have crossed the Georgia line. The space between the mountains consists for the most part of low rocky ridges, seemingly more stone than earth, some laid open by narrow, deep ravines, others of which form the rocky precipice down whose sides clear gurgling streams of water, from the innumerable springs which lie hidden below, and which have forced their way through stony labryinths, to often the highest point in the ridge, rush in madcap torrents to the valley below. The objects of interest, however, most famous along our route and those which have attracted the admirers of nature's grandeur, from every quarter of this and other countries, were shut out from our observation, because of the approach of night before we had reached Chattanooga, but which we visited under most favorable conditions on our return trip, and which we shall describe to our readers in the order that they shall occur in the account of our observations. We refer to historic Lookont mountain, the Chicamagua battlefield and other points of interest famed for their natural beauty no less than that they have been the scene of so many events historically woven into our country's renown. But with, as we have said, the curtain of night, we must shut out from our readers further observations until we have reached Atlanta, from which point will begin our next letter.

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Sudden Death—Personals.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Charles Barnes spent several days in Nashville this week, accompanied by W. Foster, the mail clerk. Miss Nellie Calloway is teaching the remainder of her school term at Tyners. Prof. Frank Kennedy, who resigned his position in the high school here, has accepted a higher one at St. Augustine, N. C. Miss R. M. Dauherty has been appointed in his stead. R. W. Allen stood a very rigid civil service examination a few days since for railway mail clerk. Beginning with February, the Chattanooga news in this paper will be more interesting than it was ever before. All news items that anyone gives us of importance, will be thankfully received. Leave them at Dr. O. W. James' drug store, 504 W. Ninth street. We have quite a number of new subscribers and want one hundred more by Feb. 1st. The terms are 15c every four weeks. Miss C. M. Pugh is quite ill. Mrs. Sarah Washington died very suddenly Sunday at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Tyree. Her death was caused from appoplexy of the brain. The memorial services of Bishop Wayman were held at Warren Chapel A. M. E. church Sunday, under the auspices of Rev. T. A. Thompson. The rendition of the program was excellent. The many friends of Mrs. C. D. Lawdnes regretted to learn that fire destroyed everything in one of her rooms last week. The Leap Year entertainment given by a number of ladies at the residence of Lawyer J. P. Easly and wife, Thursday night, was quite a grand affair, and opened the season for leap year merriment. Subscribers, please note that this is your last paper for this month, and your subscription is now due, and will be due every four weeks.

Gleanings of a Southern City.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Andra McKinney and son, of Nashville, are spending a few weeks with friends and relatives. The few ladies and gents at the home of Ed. Evans, spent the evening very pleasantly on the 20th, inst. At the Wayman memorial exercises the essays by Mrs. T. T. Ransome and R G. Daniels, were grand; also an outline of his great deeds and acts by Lawyers J. C. McAdams and W. H. Gosling. The singing was good. The church was crowded. The ministers of all the churches were present. Rev. James Turner was well pleased. All spoke, sang prayed and acted as they felt and knew they had lost a graet and grand man. The Leap Year entertainment at Mt. Zion Baptist church, is looked forward to with much hope for great pleasure and success. Miss Irene McKinney is sick. Miss Lettie Morton is teaching a subscription school. A Y. M. C. A. is in progress. The Mozart society was organized by J. C. McAdams. Miss Lillian Anderson returned on the 18th, inst. Mrs. Selie Celson is sick, Mrs. Mary Mosley is on the sick list. Rev. J. Sebastian is at home. He is a partner of Louis Myres. George Ransome is in school. He is stopping with W. M. Cowan. Willie Scuch left for Chicago on the 15th. Many young men and women are in school. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

In Memory.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

Mrs. Harry Russel was called to Marion last week by the death of her mother. Mrs. Georgia Hodge was called to Kokomo last week on account of his mother being ill. Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Parker, a girl. The Revival meeting is progressing. Elder Pettiford is the right man. On Monday night after church the people gave elder Pettiford quite a surprise. Baskets well filled with provisions were the order of the evening. Elder Pettiford extended thanks for himself and family. Memorial services were held in memory of the late Bishop Wayman, D. D., at 7:30 p. m. The program was rendered as follows: Opening hymn, "Servant of God, Well Done," by choir; prayer, H. Harris; scripture lesson Nintieth Psalm; prayer. "Bishop Wayman as a Citizen," by G. C. King; solo by Mrs. A. J. Allen; address, "Bishop Wayman as a Pastor" by Mr. G. Allen; duet, "Beyond the Smiling and the Weeping" by Mrs. and Miss King; paper, "Wayman as a Bishop" by C. S Jones; duet, "Come Unto Me and Rest" by Mrs. and Miss Pettiford; sermon by the pastor; solo, "Free as a Bird" by Lillian Pettiford.

Died on the Train.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Special.

We regret to note the death of Rev. William Ridley, Benton Harbor, Mich. Ft. Wayne being his former home. Mrs. M. Pollard and Wilson, of Brazil, Ind., are visiting in the city; they came to take Mrs. Pollard's daughter from the Feeble Minded Institution. She having been there for five years, was taken very sick at the G. R. & I., depot; boarded the G. P. & I., train, South, 11:45 p. m., and died before reaching Richmond. Mrs. Smith will enter suit against the city for injuries received on circus day, May, '95. Occasioned by a runaway horse; dislocating her shoulder and injured internally. Subscribe for The Freeman.

Wedding Bells.

Meridian, Miss., Special.

Thursday the 16th Rev. A. T. Stewart and Miss Annie Tripolet were married in the presence of a large circle of friends at the First Baptist church. Rev. C. W. Watson officiating. The groom wore the conventional black. The bride white satin. An arch of lace and flowers was built in front of the pulpit and it was under this that the ceremony was performed. The reception took place at 8:30 and was the grandest ever given in the city. Among the distinguished ladies and gentlemen present were Mrs. J. W. Longstreet, Mrs. D. Finley, Mrs. Wilson, Drs. H. W. Bowen and J. W. Holmes, and law-Hill, Dr. J. W. Brown, D D., Dr. J. W. Holmes, lawyer Hill. All people enjoyed themselves until 11 o'clock.

Current Events.

Wilberforce, O., Special.

Misses Brady and Denny of Springfield were given a pleasant reception in University parlors Saturday evening. Sabbath the communion services were largely attended, Presiding Elder Bundy, Bishop Arnett, and Rev. J. P. Maxwell officiating. The week of prayer has been observed. The death of Rev. Jesse Meek, D. D., was quite a shock to the community. Another alumnus member is dead. A very large concourse of friends from various parts of the state met on Thursday to pay tribute to his memory. Among the noted callers at the University were Bishop B. F. Lee of Waco, Tex., Hon. Wm. H. Parham from Cincinnati, Mr. Parker, architect, Anderson, Ind., and Mr. Schenk, an organ builder from Dayton, who left a proposition for erecting the pipe organ on its arrival from New York. Bishops Arnett and Lee have gone to Baltimore to attend the session of the Bishop's Council. President Mitchell, Dr. Scarborough, Prof. Jenkins, Secretary Arnett, and others witnessed the inauguration of Governor Asa S. Bushnell at Columbus Monday. A decree of the district court of Labette county, Kans., came this week establishing by contract the right of Wilberforce University, to the property of Mrs. Lucy Cooper, deceased, former resident of Parsons, Kans. Henderson Blair holds a life interest in the estate.

Celebrated their 15th Anniversary.

Paris, Ill., Special.

Last Tuesday evening Jan. 14, 1896, Mr. and Mrs. Paris Thomas of 612 Central Ave. South, celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary. The house was elegantly decorated with cut flowers, smilax and pot plants, making a tasty and beautiful effect, which, coupled with the happy faces and handsome costumes of the guests served to impress the beholder very agreeably. The host and hostess were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Mayme Gahn of Indianapolis, Mesdames Ed. L. Thomas, Chas. Smith and Wiley Jones of Urbana, and Belle Jackson of Terre Haute, also Messrs. Ed. L. Thomas, Chas. Smith and J. L. Thomas of St. Louis. Guests were present from Danville, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Terre Haute, Clinton, Sullivan, Marshall, Urbana and Homer The punch bowl, one of the indispensable

MISS JOSEPHINE E. GHANT,
Birmingham, Ala. See article 2nd page.

features of the evening was presided over by Misses Mabel and Nellie Thomas the charming daughters of the host and hostess, and Miss Eva Thomas a niece of the host. Instrumental music added its charms to the other pleasant features of the occasion, which was pronounced by all to be one of the most successful it had ever been their good fortune to attend. An elegant repast was spread, comprising turkey, ham, chicken salad, coffee, tea, ice cream, and cake. Every article was delicious, representing the most perfect productions of culinary skill. The zest with which the guests applied themselves to disposing of the good things bespoke an appreciation more eloquent than words. The host and hostess were the recipients of an imposing array of elegant presents, consisting of the most beautiful glass ware of every description, which will long serve as ornaments and utility in their household, while being a daily reminder of an event which they will ever treasure among life's brightest memories.

Fort Wayne News.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Special.

Miss Mattie Bassett of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. Smith, her sister. Mrs. S. A. Robinson is visiting Mrs. Thomas Adams of 1110 Hayden street. Mrs. S. M. Raines left Saturday for Andrews and Logansport for a few days visit. Robert Rhodes is laying very sick with neumonia. The Christian Endeavor gave an entertdinment on last Thursday evening. Prizes were captured by Thomas Harris, a blind man. We fully endorse Mrs. Fox in her damage suit against the Southern Railroad company. Joe Roberts has moved his shop to South Calhoun street. Subscribe for The Freeman.

Personal Mention.

Van Buren, Ark., Special.

The Ladies Aid Socity gave an entertainment at W. F. Stewart's lunch stand. A neat sum of money was turned into the treasure. The ladies of the M. E. church gave a leap year entertainment with great success. Rev. S. Neal is attending the M. E. Conference at Batesville. Rev. H. M. McMillan and family, of Kansas City, Mo., have moved to this city. The Executive Board of the Baptist met in this city January 18th. A large number of preachers was present. Miss Deanno Williams, of Plummerville, is visiting friends of this city. Miss Rosetta E. Hays has returned from Philander Smith College on account of illness. Nathan Jondes, of Ft. Smith, paid this city a visit. A colored doctor would do well here. The Republican League met Monday, the 20th, at Hinkle Hall.

In Honor of Guest.

Tuskaloosa, Ala., Special.

Mrs. Ivins, who has been spending the holidays with Mrs. Lizzie Williams, returned to her home, in Livingston, Friday. A delightful tea party was given in honor of Mrs. Ivins by Mrs. Josh Williams at her home, 116 Washington street. The evening was spent in games and social chat. At 11 p. m. they were served with the delicacies of the season. Those present were: Mrs. Fergerson, Mr. Sidney Norwood, Mrs. Gibson, Mr. Taylor, Miss Jones, Mr. Jenkins, Miss Crawford, Mr. Nathen Childs, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Washington. Mrs. Sarah Carr has returned from Atlanta. Quite an entertaining crowd met at Mrs. Josh Williams Friday evening in honor of Rev. H. N. Brown, P. E., of the M. E. Church. Those present were: Rev. H. L. Bradford and wife, T. T. Thompson and wife, Rev. L. D. Williams, Rev. H. N. Brown, Prof. Parker, of Jones University, and Prof. Green.

Lincoln High School Opened.

Fayettville, Tenn., Special.

We are just introducing The Freeman into our city. The introduction of your excellent paper is due to the effort of Rev. J. A. Jones, the new pastor of St. Paul's church. It can be found now every Saturday at the store of Mr. William Commons. The new choir of the A. M. E. church is improving rapidly, and is receiving compliments from all sides. Hon. W. H. Gosling, Prof. R. P. Purdy, and Dr. V. D. Turner, all of Shelbyville, was in town a few days. They came upon invitation to deliver addresses at the opening of the Lincoln High school of which Prof. J. A. Jones is principal. They sustained themselves grandly. Lincoln High School is filling up fast. Mrs. H. B. McChristian and Miss Mamie Hoffman are assistants in the school. An "Old Folk's Concert" will soon take place at the Baptist church. A private school is being taught in the Cumberland Presbyterian church. Mr. J. B. Bonner is principal. Rev. A. O'Neal formerly pastor of the Baptist church, has gone. The pulpit is vacant so we are informed. A revival is going on at the C. P. church. Rev. Todd of the same religious persuasion is conducting the meeting. A unique entertainment was given last week by the choir of the A. M. E. church. It was a mask-tacky-party. All the "tackies" also masked. All the guests were requested to guess who the participants were. A large crowd attended. The object was to purchase new books for the choir. Very impressive memorial services were held last Sabbath at the A. M. E. church in memory of Bishop Wayman. Rev. J. A. Jones, the pastor officiated. You can not afford to be without The Freeman. Get it every Saturday at the new store of Willie Commons on College street.

Colored Men to Join the K. of L's.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

Mrs. G. W. Thompson, Mrs. P. W. Waid and Mrs. Winston are some better. All the churches were well attended Sunday. There is an effort on foot to get the colored men to join the K's of Labor. The plain and skilled work of the South is largely done by the Negroes. The best thing for us to do is to stay out of the strikes. The Republican state Central Committee is in session. Col. Clayton will head the Arkansas delegation for the National Convention. The "American Guide," a new weekly, was ushered upon the journalistic sea this week, J. E. Bush is editor. Ex-State Senator Berry, Prof. J. C. Dukes and Hon. Fred Havis of Pine Bluff, if you want the greatest Negro paper on earth see S. W. Moore and get The Freeman.

"And They Were Wed."

Eufaula, Ala., Special.

The marriage of Joseph Edwin Scott and Miss Minnie L. Gray took place at St. Lukes A. M. E. church Jan. 15th, it was indeed a grand affair. The church was beautifully decorated, Rev. D. C. Edmonson performed the ceremony. The infant child of George Rollins died on the 18th and was buried on the 19th Rev. John Harmon has returned from Philadelphia, Pa.

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The Christmas Dinner to Hon. N. W. Cuney—The Association the Capital of the Nation—E.E. Wilson, Esq., of Travis, Responds.

There is an association of Texans in the Capital of the Nation. It was organized several years ago. Its object is one purely social. It has no political bent. It has aided several sick members. It has gotten positions for others. It has gotten scholarships for needy students. One of its principle functions is to suitably entertain strangers from Texas.

The Texas Association entertained the Hon. N. W. Cuney on Christmas evening last. It gave a dinner in his honor. Christmas '95 will long live in our memories as one of the most charmingly spent by any of us. Cafe Lastter where the dinner was served was beautifully decorated with Christmas evergreens. A magnificient star Emblematic of the Lone Star State, was presented to the Association by one of its young lady admirers. Covers were laid for twenty-five, the number of members of the Association. Mr. Cuney was seated at the head of the table with the president on his right and N. L. Cuney, Jr., on his left. The invited guests of the evening were Hon. N. W. Cuney, ex-collector of the Port of Galveston, member of the National Republican Committee. Dr. Frank J. Webb, the president of the Association, acted as toastmaster.

Mr. J. S. Moten of Bastrop, responded to the toast of Texas. He spoke wittily and with earnestness. In beautiful language, told of the resources and vastness of Texas; the friendships formed there, and how lovingly he looked upon her fertile lands. Mr. Collins Alexander of Bowie, spoke of "Texans as students here." Mr. Alexander told pathetically, and as if he knew what he was talking about, of the trials and tribulations of students. He spoke well and to the point. His remarks were particularly applauded when he told Mr. Cuney to "tell the folks down home we are all coming back." John M. Johnson, M. D. of Bryan, spoke at length on "Texans in the Departments." He congratulated the Association on having so many of its members working there, said there were plenty of room for more He said there were more Texans in the departments now than ever before. He gave due credit to the Hon. J. D. Sayers, member of Congress from the Austin District, for that fact Gov. Sayers has appointed more black men to office than any other representative from Texas ever did.

E. E. Wilson, Esq., of Travis, responded to the toast of president Cleveland and the Monroe Doctrine. His remarks elicited considerable applause. He was eloquent in his "twisting the Lion's Tail" and backing up President Cleveland's position.

Dr. Webb in adding a few remarks to Mr. Wilson's toast of president Cleveland and the Monroe Doctrine said: "Seventy years ago President Monroe immortalized himself by enunciating the Doctrine of America for Americans and forbade the colonizing of our continent by European nations. Last week President Cleveland has again signalized his sterling statesmanship by proclaiming that doctrine right. This proclamation electrified the world, and has echoed and re-echoed throughout Christendom. Every American citizen regards the President's stand as loyal and patriotic. The question, however, comes home to us, what stand shall we take? Is today the day or this the hour for us to secure vengence for the lynchings of our fathers and brothers? Can we as American citizens, bury our pride, our trandsendent love of race, and remain as we did when we marched to help put down the rebellion 200,000 strong, loyal to our flag? Are we to allow the cries and groans of our cremated brothers to ascend to heaven unavenged? Shall we not in time of war demand an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth? No Sir! I think I voice the average sentiment of our race when I say 10,000 times No! There wells up from every breast, pours out from every heart, assembled around this festal board the beautiful impassitioned language of Ruth as our race says to Nation: "For whither thou goest I will go, thy people shall be my people and thy God my God!"

President Webb introduced Mr. Cuney as the guest of the evening. Mr. Cuney spoke at length. We are sorry we cannot produce his remarks intirely. He congratulated the Texas Association on its grand work. He said every report that reached Texas about its members was excellent and encouraging. He was heartfully glad to be with so many Texans so far away from home on Christmas day—it made him feel grateful and happy. Mr. Cuney gave the Association the best advice, and exhorted its members to lay the foundation of their lives broad and deep, to maintain an unquestioned integrity and have an honor above price. He said: "Let no man say he is a better citizen and loves Texas more than you.' In eloquent language he depicted the temptations assailing man. He was forceful and witty, he was dignified and grand in his denunciation of the miserable creatures, who go to National Conventions, and sell themselves, and then try to drown themselves! He was applauded to the echo as he denounced, as only Wright Cuney can denounce, the criminal and nefarious practices which have all too often made delegates from the South to National Conventions a "stench in the nostrils of honest men." The guest of the evening then gave the Association an insight into Texas political affairs. He explained the Census plow, which he opposed, and the "Lily White" movements.

He told the Association that the regular "black and tan" organizations had as its supporters the leading Republicans, the merchants, the lawyers, the bankers and the entire federal judiciary with the exception of Judge Moxey, who is a Democrat; that it was mostly the disgrunted element, the "swell-heads," the would-be leaders with little or no following who composed the "Lilly Whites." He assured the Association that the honest Republicans in Texas would never consent to place such questionable leaders in power. Mr. Cuney closed his elegant effort by announcing his presidential candidate for the next Republican nomination to be the Hon. Wm. B. Allison, a senator from Iowa. He told us, as we all up here already know, that Senator Allison is about the only prominent Republican who is absolutely safe on the race question. For twenty-five years he has served the race faithfully, unflinchingly and without the least shadow or taint of mugwumpry. He also gave us as a personal reason why he favored Mr. Allison—that in days gone by he had stood up for Wright Cunney. His remarks were applauded to the echo. At the conclusion a standing vote of thanks was passed and a silent toast to the conference in Cunney's leadership was drank, and the dinner was history.

The Church

Then take things as God sends 'em here.
And, if we live or die,
Be more and more contented
Without asking why.
—James Whitcomb Riley.

Bishop Wayman memorial exercises were held at the A. M. E. church on the 19th in Pueblo, Col.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Circle is doing a good work in St. Louis, Mo. They raised $127.48.

Mrs. C. M. West is giving a grand stereoptican exhibition of Stanley in Africa. She visits the different churches.

Rev. Joseph Kelly of Waxia, La., an old and faithful local preacher of the M. E. church, died in a Charity Hospital Dec. 31st.

The Legislature of this state agreed by resolution to invite all the pastors of Frankfort, white and colored to offer prayer at the opening of the daily sessions.

There was an educational entertainment given at Second Baptist church in Wichita, Kan., Monday night, Jan. 13th under the auspices of the Foreign Mission Society. It was a success.

The Arkansas Baptist College is being erected at Little Rock with Rev. J. A. Booker, president; Elder J. H. Hokes, president of the board of stockholders; Elder E. M. Middlebrooks, chairman of the trustee board. The school will certainly be a success.

Memorial meetings in memory of the late Rev. L. M. Luke, D. D., Foreign Mission secretary of the National Baptist Convention who died in Louisville, Ky., Jan. 31st, 1895 are being held in all parts of the country.

Rev. J. O. Williams, pastor of the M. E. church at Tyler, Tex., is putting forth commendable efforts to build a church at that place. He has already secured a valuable lot, and appeals to the public for help in the erection of the church. This is a worthy enterpise in every respect.

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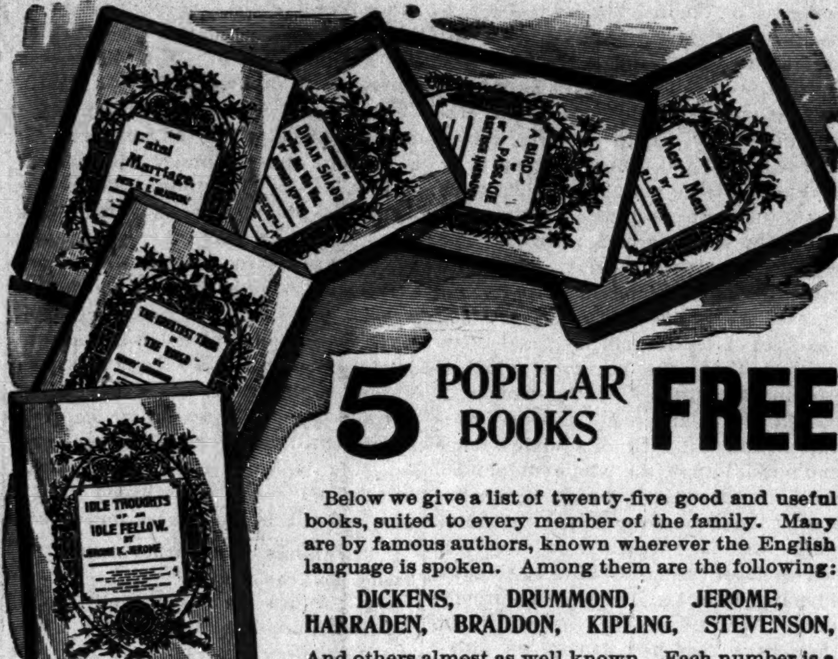

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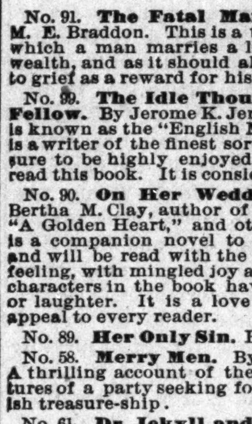

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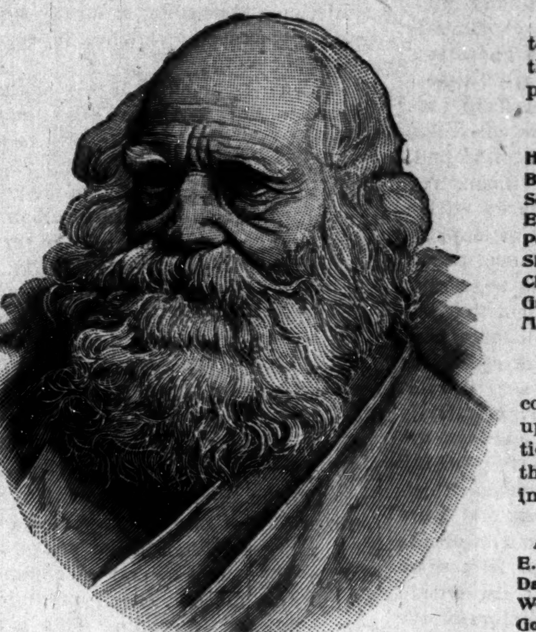

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Rev. Samuel H. Coleman, D D., the subject of this sketch, is in his forty-first year of age. He entered the ministry of the A. M. E. church, joining the East Florida Conference in 1878. At that time African Methodism had not found its way into the districts remote from the larger towns in what is known as South Florida. In '78 Sumter county was noted for the lawlessness of its population who regarded not the laws of God or man. Rev. Coleman organized two churches in that county. and to-day these are the only A. M. E. churches there.

During the time he was pastor, from '78 to '88, he filled charges at Sanford, when he built a church, Orlando, where he also built a church, Longwood, Eustace, Apopka, Winter Park, Etonville, Kissimme, Palatka, Ocala, and Gainesville. Coincident with his entering upon the pastorate of the church at Ocala, there broke out a serious rebellion in the church at Gainesville and the vile dissensions threatened the life of the entire church. The Bishop countermanded the appointment of Rev. Coleman to the Ocala church and sent him to Gainesville with the expressed purpose of saving that church. He succeeded. The church was quieted and Christian harmony and unity were restored and they have prospered ever since. Before his advancement to the presiding eldership, Rev. Coleman richly won the sobriquet of the "young pioneer preacher and organizer." His spiritual and temporal successes were always the most flattering, and he possessed the happy faculty of inspiring all with an enthusiasm which prompted them to do their best.

In '88, after serving the church at Gainesville for one year. He was chosen presiding elder of the Live Oak district. This district had never raised more than $400 annually. Rev. Coleman presided over it for four years. When he left, it was raising $1000 a year and the church work had increased greatly.

In '91 Paul Quinn University conferred upon Rev. Coleman the degree of D. D. The bestowing of this title and honor was the signal for him to grow more studious than ever. His library is well filled with the latest and best. Dr. Coleman possess that quality known as personal magnetism. He has never been known to play false to a friend, and is a born leader of men. In determination he is invincible. Three times has he led the Florida delegation to the General Conference, and all who were in attendance at the last three session of that body can recall the pluck and zeal manifested by him. As pastor and presiding elder he has always excelled his predecessors. He is a trustee of Edwards College in Jacksonville and vice president ot the board, a trusteee of Wilberforce University and a member and secretary of the connectional board of education.

Dr. Coleman wears two medals which he won for raising the largest amount of conference funds. As a financier he is safe. His personal affairs he has conducted well. He owns good property in Gainesville, Ocala, Sanford and Jacksonville, and not any of his property is encumbered in any way. At no time in his life has Dr. Coleman ever received a "fat salary," bnt through the frugality and wisdom of his faithful wife and himself he has managed to live within his means and secure some property, besides a comfortable home both in Jacksonville and Gainesville. Five bright and intelligent children grace their home, three girls and two boys. The eldest, Miss Temperance, is now attending the State Normal College at Tallahassee and the next, also a young lady, is attending Edward Waters College.

Dr. Coleman is a ceaseless worker. His zeal and enthusiasm for his church are such that his admirers are not confined to his own denomination. There are hundreds in Florida who follow the man, even ignoring denominational lines. While visiting the Georgia Conference, which convened in Savannah on the 15th inst., he was nominated as teller for the election of delegates to the General Conference. At the same time Rev. M. M. Moore, also a Florida presiding elder and a candidate for the position of financial secretary of the church was nominated. The great disparity in the number of votes cast for each showed how the two men stood even before that conference. Dr. Coleman was elected teller by a whooping majority and Dr. Moore was left away behind.

The labors and consequent hardships of Dr. Coleman, in order that African Methodism might thrive and grow in Florida will dispel any thought of prematurity, immodesty, etc., while he respectfully lays his claim before the African Methodist for a higher post of duty and responsibility, since he has so well and frequently demonstrated his fitness for advancement. His ability and loyalty, his active religious zeal, fully qualify him, either for the position, and responsibilities of financial secretary or the still higher honor of Bishop.

Florida has done much, followed well, obeyed well the powers that be. By dint of hard work and co-operation and christian union, Florida has won a desirable place among African Methodist. When her leading sons comes and asks for recognition in the disposal of the honors and emoluments of the church, it is claimed that the request should be heard. Dr. Coleman is Florida's first choice. At the last National Republican Convention Dr. Coleman was delegate. In the State Republican Convention he was one of the most active delegates. Several times has he succeeded himself as Grand Master of Masons in the state. The church could have no safer and more active man at the head of its financial system. In the event of his election, it would soon be realized that the same interest and zeal which brought success to S. H. Coleman first as "pioneer preacher," and later on as presiding elder would follow him as head of the financial department of the church.

Dolly Washington, who lives two miles west of Carrolton, Mo., is 118 years old.

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It is reported that Miss Ednorah Nahar will go upon the stage within a year.

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L. C. Williams has recently been appointed a deputy assessor in Kansas City, Mo.

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The recently appointed regeant of Smithsonian Institute is the Hon. Wm. L. Wilson, of West Virginia.

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The present Congress so far, has not a Negro member, but Hon. G. W. Murray and H. P. Chetham are contesting seats.

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Bishops Arnett and Walters have been elected on the Trustee Board of the National Society of Christian Endeavor.

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Albert Ross is the first colored graduate of New Mexico. He is now taking a course in the high school at Colorado Springs, Col.

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Remsen Crawford, of Atlanta, Ga., has been appointed press agent of the Plant System of railways and steamships with headquarters at Tampa, Fla,

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With the object in view of opening several first class stores, a joint stock company has been organized at Columbia, S. C., by colored men with a capital stock of $20,000

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The Whittier Historical Association celebrated Whittier's birthday at Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 17th. Dr. W. B. Derrick, of New York, was the orator of the occasion.

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A convention of Planters was held in Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 21st All persons interested were present. The convention was called by Hector D. Lane, president of the American Cotton Grower's Protective Union,

Revivals in Helena.

Helena, Ark., Special.

The Rev. J. R. Campbell is assisted by the Rev. S. W. Wilkerson of Old Town Ridge. Ten seekers came forward for prayer during the week. Rev. J. W. Johnson, who was to assist, was called home on short notice to look after his own flock at Poplar Grove. The New Light Baptist church in South Helena is in the midst of an interesting revival. They had several conversions. The Rev. S. D. Gibson has the largest congregation in the city. Rev. I. Toliver, of Waco, Texas, and Prof. Roseborough will assist Dr. E. C. Morris in a ten day's meeting, beginning the 15th and ending the 25th. Miss I. B. Adams began teaching school down on Old Town Island on the 13th. Mrs. James Palmer left for Poplar Grove on the 11th. Mrs. D. Adair is very sick. The program rendered at the Union Literary society last Friday evening was quite interesting, especially the debate between Prof. C. W. Driskell and Hon. C. C. Caldwell, subject. "Resolved, That War Between the United States and England would Prove Advantageous to the Negro." Jurors, Messrs. Harris, Langston, Watson, Drew, and J. H. Harvey gave their decision in favor of the affirmative, C. W. Driskell.

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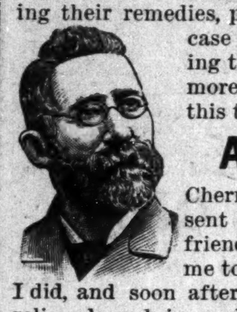

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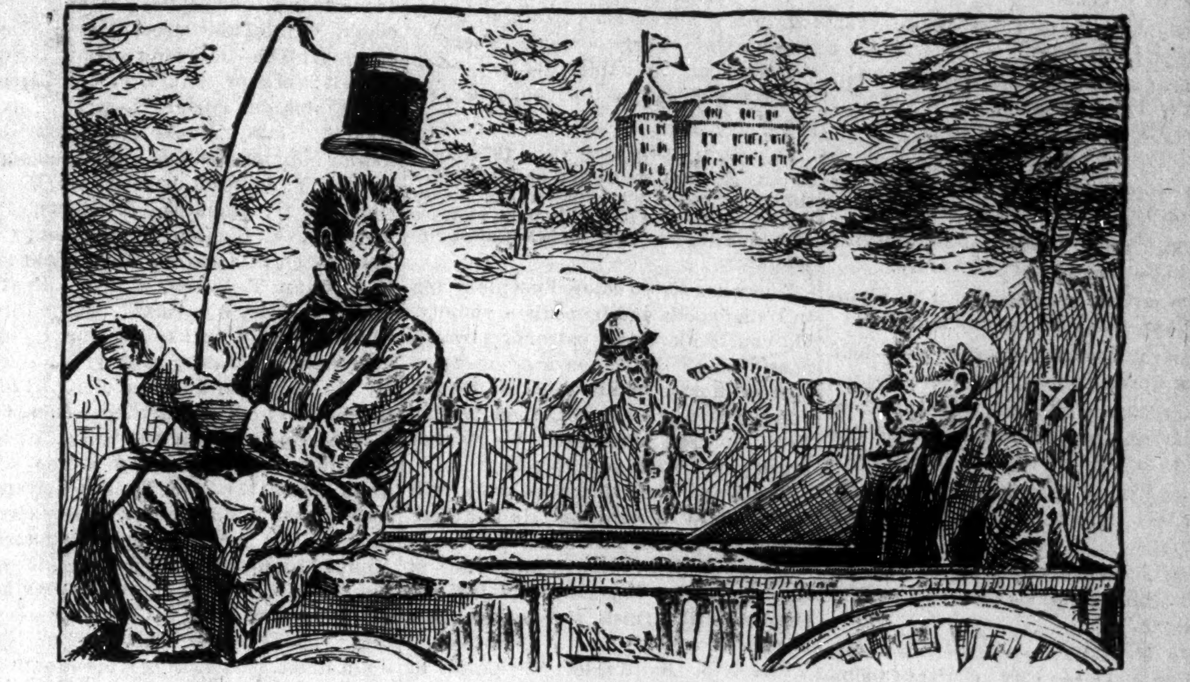
"Wall, it is so, whether you believe it or not. Why, I see a feller jest now who sez he don't believe anybody would ever die at all, if they kep' themselves kinder wet through all the time with this water."

"Oh, shaw!" sez I. (I seldom say shaw, but this seemed to me a time for shawin'.)

But Josiah kep' on, for he wus fearfully excited. Sez he, "Why, the fellow said, there wuz a old man who lived right by the side of this spring, and felt the effects of it inside and out all the time, it wuz so healthy there. Why the old man kep' on a livin', and a livin', till he got to be a hundred. And he wuz kinder lazy naturally and he got tired of livin'. He said he wuz tired of gettin' up mornin's and dressin' of him, tired of pullin' on his boots and drawin' on his trowses, and he told his grandson Sam to take him up to Troy and let him die.



"Wall, Sam took him up to Troy, and he died right away, almost. And Sam bein' a good hearted chap, thought it would please the old man to be buried down by the spring, that healthy spot. So he took him back there in a wagon he borrowed. And when he got clost to the spring, Sam heard a sithe, and he looked back, and there the old gentleman wuz a settin' up a leanin' his head on his elbo, and he sez, in a sort of a sad way, not mad, but melancholly, '**You hadn't ort to done it, Sam. You hadn't ort to. I'm in now for another hundred years.**'"

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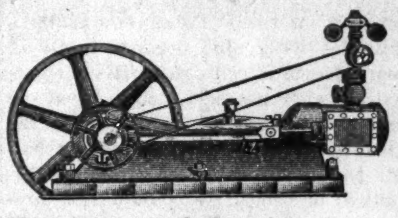

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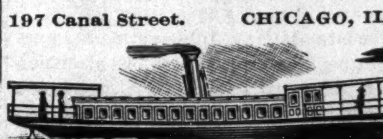

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Miss Lillie Taylor is on the sick list.

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Miss Lillie Carter has returned to Richmond.

Miss Daisy Carpenter was badly burnt this week.

Eva Lena Walker of Atlanta, Ga., is in the city.

Mrs. M. S. Johnson is suffering with the La grippe.

—Grant H. Clay, dentist, 95 North Delaware street.

M F. White was re-elected president of Bethel Lyceum.

Rev. C. Taylor of Terre Haute, was in the city this week.

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There are letters at this office for Joseph Howard and Thos. White.

Rev. Maurice Lewis of Crawfordsville was in the city to visit his family.

The revival meeting closed at Simpson Chapel on last Tuesday night.

Revival meetings are still being held at the Corinthian Baptist church.

Miss Ednorah Nahar will appear at Blackford street church Feb. 4th. She will be assisted by the best local talent.

Miss Nettie Maude Christy of N. California street, is seriously ill at this writing.

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Rev. H. H Harris will deliver a sermon to the Queen City Club at Cincinnati Sunday.

Rev. C. R. McDowell of Independence, Mo., was a visitor at The Freeman office Monday.

Miss Emma Moss of Cincinnati, Ohio, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Remus Moore 35 Camp street.

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Rev. Benj. Coleman of Connersville, is in the city. Rev. E. L. Gilliam, P. E., was in the city on last Monday.

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Mrs. D. M. Butler of Springfield, O., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. Smith, returned home Thursday.

Rev. C. E. J. McClay, B. M., of Louisville, Ky., is in the city visiting Elder Wm. Sengleton, 291 Bright street.

Rev. H. H. Harris, pastor of Corinthian Baptist church, was called to Cincinnati last week to preach the funeral of Mrs. Bush.

Miss Nellie Gilchist and Miss Clara Trail, teachers in the Symour school, was in the city the past week, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Black

The Herculian Club has moved to its new home at 139 Indiana avenue. All members should be at the next meeting important business.

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A grand opening ball Monday night Jan. 27th, 1896, at Wright's Hall corner New York and Muskingum streets, admission 15 cents. Come one come all, Music by Prof. Easly.

Edison's Phonograph Concert gave a grand musical entertainment at Simpson Chapel last Thursday evening at which time Mrs. J. T. V. Hill, the elocutionist, read several of her choice selections.

Mrs. Hattie Dean who has been suffering from an acute attack of rheumatism was removed to the City Hospital last Monday.

Mrs. Mary Hunter, who resides at 819 North Clinton street is suffering from a severe cold.

Mrs. James Gibbs who lives with Mrs. McKenzie Brown on North Senate avenue is quite ill.

Miss Mattie Tandy of Lexington, Ky., is the guest of Mrs. Charlotte Williams, 114 Martindale avenue.

Attorney J. T. V. Hill is publishing a chart directory which will show the various business interests conducted on the part of our people in this city. Mr. Hill states that the chart will be ready for circulation in April.

Mrs. Burns Fisher and Mrs. James Wells were hostess for a dinner party on Tuesday evening, given in honor of Mrs. Slaughter of Danville.

George Hays gave a surprise party to a number of his friends at North Indianapolis on last Monday evening.

The case of Alice Webb verses Peter Webb, charged with wife desertion was called for trial in Squire Daniel's Court on last Monday.

Rev. L. M. Hagood addressed a union meeting of the Epworth League's Association at Tomlinson Hall on last Thursday evening.

The "Illustrated Sermons" are proving quite a success at Corinthian Baptist church. Large crowds attended each service. The subject for next Sunday evening will be "Jacob and Laban."

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The grand Fantasma cake walk will be given at Tomlinson Hall Friday evening Feb. 21st 1896 under the management of M. F. Lewis, messenger at Capital Bank. Pauden Bro's full orchestra will furnish the music. Admission 50 cents. 1-25-4t.

Mr. A. B. Baird filled the pulpit at Bethel Sunday morning, Rev. Henderson being out of the city. Brother Baird's subject was "The Existence of God." He handed it in an able manner showing that he thoroughly understood it. We predict a bright future for Bro. Baird.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING.

In a recent issue of The Freeman we took a decided stand against the manner in which the Negro church collects its offerings. We said then as now, that the much needed reformation should begin in the pulpit. We were a little surprised and no less chagrined, however, when a noteworthy divine made the unpropitious and startling remark "that the time for the contribution box had not yet come." Strange indeed! We would like to ask when will the time come? The time has come for us to worship in fine, commodious churches with pipe organs, carpeted floors, frescoed ceilings, brilliant chandeliers, and polished ushers, yet the contribution box is only seen in the shadowy distance. The pecuniary benefit that is probably enlarged by this method of procedure should not prevent the pulpit from remonstrating against it. "Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them," might well be applied in this instance. If we are prompted by the right spirit in contributing, it is unnecessary to parade through the house of God, keeping time to music "to be seen of them." The pulpit should discourage this bit of vainglory as it does vice, immorality or other sins. On with the contribution box.

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The attendance at the several churches might be increased were more attention given to ventilation. We entered a church last Sunday, and the atmosphere was stifling. Let the ushers see that the windows are so adjusted as to admit a circulation of fresh air.

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That was a pretty little social affair given by the Twentieth Century Club, and is another proof that when women undertake to do a thing, 'tis well done. The boys will have to "get together" in dead earnest to surpass them.

How Can He do it.

Anyone who smokes a pipe will enjoy a Meerchaum, better than any other kind. Nothing is more beautiful than a handsomely colored Meerchaum. A wide-awake young fellow in Chicago named Kirtland is using a novel method for advertising his meerchaum pipes. He has set aside 800 pipes to be almost given away for advertising purposes. An ordinary meerchaum pipe, with amber mouth piece, ranges from $1.50 to $5.00 in price. But this young man from the Windy City is selling these pipes for 50 cents. Fifty pipes are set aside for The Freeman readers and anyone sending fifty cents gets a pipe sent him post paid. Write quick to B. F. Kirkland, Department H, 45 Randolph street, Chicago, Ill. We know Mr. Kirtland personally and he is reliable.

Robert Jackson Entertains.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

Wednesday, New Year's night at the residence of Mrs. R. D. Mason, 3133 Dearborn St., Mr. Robert Jackson of New York, entertained in a most becoming manner, a number of friends. Miss Myrtle Lucas, of Dunkirk, Ind., and Esther Mason were the hostesses. These ladies looked their best and performed the duty with precision. Mr. Jackson is a young man, a recent addition to Chicago's best circles, and indeed an estimable gentleman, and this reception was in appreciation of kindness shown him during his stay. The menu was excellent, and served in a style that showed excellent taste. Those present from a distance were: Hattie Fox, Middleton, Ohio; Jessie and Lotta Williams, Rockford, Ill.; Eva Voughn and Cora Christy, Indianapolis; David W. Crawford, and Messrs. Walter Rollins, Indianapolis; Hayward Seales, Baltimore.

The merry party departed about 12 m. No pains was spared by Mrs. Mason to make every one feel at home, and all enjoyed a most delightful evening.

QUEEN CITY CLUB

Will Listen to a Sermon by Rev. H. H. Harris of Indianapolis.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Miss Mamie Hood of California entertained her many friends at the residence of her cousin, Mrs. Mamie Vanmeter, 67 Hopkin street last Friday evening. The following named were present: Misses Annie Price, Lizzie Allen, Jennie Porter, Beatrice Cox, Maggie Clark, Annie Hart, Marilla Taylor, Emma Walker and T. Young, Messrs. W. Johnson, L. Webb, H. Williams, B. H. Rankins, B. Routs, P. Marshall, F. Shelton, C. Pushon, C. Poindexter, S. Jackson, E. D Nickens, R. J. Winn, T. Mason, W. Franklin, T. Perry, and Mr. Whayman. Queen City Club No. 3 of Zion Baptist church will hold their grand rally to-morrow. Rev. H. H. Harris of Indianapolis will fill the pulpit. All are invited. Hon. C. A. Johnson, editor of the British Lion, Hamilton, Can., delivered a fine address before the Zion Baptist literary society last Monday night. Remember there will be a contest spelling match Monday night. Rev. Wilson, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion church, is having grand success with his revival meetings. The Phoenix barber shop, 605 John street, is attracting wide attention. This shop is owned and conducted by Lewis Thomas and Charley Frazier, You will find The Freeman on sale here. Rev. J. M. Meek an old Baptist pioneer minister died at his home in Yellow Springs last week.

WALNUT HILL NEWS.

Alfred Guthrie, who has been teaching in Kentucky, has returned. The examination for the first half term in the Walnut Hills High school began Friday Jan. 24th. Among the sixty-six candidates for the sheep skin in June are Misses Anna Elder, Anna Fagin, and Geo. Austin, all three of whom belong to the Crescent Club. Memorial services of Bishop Wayman were held in Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church last Sunday morning. The pulpit and the chandeliers were draped in mourning. Rev. Horace Talbert made the speech of his life in commemorating the virtues of the dead Bishop. His text was: "Know ye that a Prince and a Great Man has Fallen this Day in Israel." Last Thursday, Jan. 16th the funeral of Mrs. Wm. Bush took place at Bethel Baptist church on Willow street. A very large crowd was in attendance. Some excellent eulogies by our eminent divines were delivered, among whom were Revs. Wilson, H. Talbert, H. H. Harris, R. D. Phillips and a number of others Mr. and Mrs. John Browders threw open the doors of their beautiful residence, 729 Barr street to the "Easy Going Social Club." Everyone enjoyed themselves until a late hour. When you feel like lunching, call at Frank Hall's restaurant, corner Park and Westminister avenues, but bear in mind that this is the station for The Freeman.

ECHOES OF WEDDING BELLS.

Colored Citizens Indignant—Among the Churches—Other Notes.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

One of the grandest weddings that has been in our city was that of Miss Alberta S. Kean to Mr. Henry Ewing last Wednesday evening at the Church of Our Merciful Saviour, Father Brown having performed the ceremonies. The affair was elaborate in every detail. The church was filled with friends and eager sightseers. The bride, who is a most attractive young woman, is well known and popular in Louisville society. She was attired in a trousseau, both costly and handsome. After the ceremonies were performed all repaired to the home of the bride's parents, 1203 Oldham street, where they found the parlors appropriately and elegantly decorated. Many handsome and valuable presents marked the congratulations of their many friends. A sumptious repast having satisfied the inner man all took their leave about 1 o'clock. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ewing and hope they shall live long and happy.

The Misses Emma Alexander and M. E. Pickens, two accomplished and popular young teachers of our public school, are preparing to give a grand bazaar at the Twelfth Street A. M. E. Zion Church in February to last three evenings. It promises to be the grandest of the season. Ladies we wish you much success in this grand and noble work.

The Pink Rose Club is making extensive preparations for their annual entertainment.

The Union Sunday School Institute held its regular monthly meeting Thursdry at the Christion Church. Quite a number of schools and churches were represented, and much good was the result. Rev. O. Singleton is to prepare a paper at the next meeting as to the best method of teaching Sunday Schools. A literary treat is promised and a splendid time is expected. They meet Thursday evening, February 6th at Coke's Chapel. All schools and churches concerned are expected to be represented,

W. H. Lawson, President.

Henry Wilson, of Chicago, passed through the city on his return home.

A swell wedding will soon take place in the East End; A popular belle and beau. Listen for it.

Miss Leila B. Alexander and Mr. Jno. Smith were quietly married a few evenings ago. They will reside in California, on Harvey Street.

Harry Preyor, of Evansville, Ky., is here visiting friends and relatives.

We regret that during the revival services of the St. Paul Metropolitan Free Methodist Church of which Rev. R. T. Anderson is pastor, were somewhat interfered with Sunday evening, an officer appeared and placed some young ladies under arrest. Much excitement prevailed for a time.

Much indignation and utter disgust is expressed by our people over the attempt to have Gov. Bradley recall the appointment of Mr. John Postell, (colored.) as Steward of the white insane asylum at Hopkinsville, Ky., by our jealous and prejudiced white brethren.

The Louisville General Council is unanimously Republican. The death of Mayor Tylor has unfolded the duty of selecting a Mayor Pro-Tempore to fill his un-expired term. It is an important duty.

Another democratic office was made vacant here by Sheriff Phlanz failing to produce his bonds in the required time and declared duly filled by Judge Richie in the person of Mr. Chas. Schuff, a young and prominent Republican.

Dr. Henry Fitzbutler, editor of the Ohio Falls Express, and Dean of the National Medical College and Auxillary Hospital, is booked as Superintendent of the Eruptive Hospital under Gov. Bradley's appointment. We urge the appointment; as a better Superintendent cannot be found; furthermore, the Doctor deserves it.

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Chiming of Wedding Bells.

Cartersville, Ga., Special.

On the 8th, inst., John Suttles, of Atlanta, Ga., led Miss Julia Tribble, a daughter of John T. Tribble, to the altar. Miss Tribble has a large number of friends, both white and colored. Mr. Suttle is a prominent business man of Atlanta. The marriage took place at 12 m. Dr. J. S. Flipper of Atlanta, officiated. The Golden Crown Silver Band made the occasion very interesting. Charles R. Fletcher, the famous trombone soloist, added much to the amusement. Mrs Emma White, who has been very ill for several months, died Wednesday morning. Her remains were interred at Oak Hill cemetery Thursday afternoon. I. S. Dennis left on the 11th, inst., for Chattanooga, where he will spend a few months. Miss Savannah Benham spent Sunnay in the city visiting friends and relatives. To our subscribers: You say that you like The Freeman and "Courtship by Proxy." Well, if so, why don't you buy oftener and pay up more regularly?

Church and Personal Mentions.

Redemption, Ark., Special.

Redemption is a county P. O., the majority of the population are colored people. The greater part of them own and cultivate their own land. Among our successful farmers may be mentioned Messrs. Doo Williams, J. C. Casey, Jas Dunlap, A. J. Lacy, and Alfred Lott. These gentlemen have realized a handsome profit from their land of this community. There are three colored churches here, two are Baptist and one Methodist. Revs. Patterson and Donaldson proclaim from the rostrums of the two Baptist branches, while the Rev. G. D. Dancy is at the A. M. E. church. The Freeman is much esteemed and I cannot express fitting praise for this valuable paper.

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